

**An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of aliens.**

**W**HEREAS great inconvenience has been experienced in the practical operation of the law granting to aliens the rights and capacities of natural born British subjects, and it is expedient to amend the same; Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows: The Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the naturalization of aliens*; and the Act passed in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to amend the Naturalization Laws of this Province*, and all other Acts and provisions of law inconsistent with this Act, shall be and are hereby repealed; Provided always, that the repeal of the said Acts shall not affect the naturalization of any person naturalized under them, on any rights acquired by such person or by any other party by virtue of such naturalization, which shall remain valid, and such rights shall be possessed and enjoyed by such person or party as if the said Acts were not repealed.

Preamble.

Acts 12 V. c. 197, and 18 V. c. 6, repealed.

Proviso: acquired rights not affected.

II. Every alien now residing in or who shall hereafter come to reside in any part of this Province, with intent to settle therein, who, after a continued residence therein for a period of one year or upwards, shall take the oaths or affirmations of residence and allegiance (or the oath or affirmation of residence only, if a female), and procure the same to be fyled of record as hereinafter prescribed, so as to entitle him or her to a certificate of naturalization as hereinafter provided, shall thenceforth enjoy and may transmit all the rights and capacities which a natural born subject of Her Majesty can enjoy or transmit.

One year's residence and the taking of certain oaths sufficient to naturalize an Alien.

III. Every such alien shall take and subscribe the following oath of residence, or being one of those persons who are allowed by the laws of this Province to affirm in judicial cases, shall make affirmation to the same effect, that is to say:

Oaths of residence and allegiance must be taken.

*Oath of Residence.*

I, A. B., do swear (or being one of the persons allowed by law to affirm in judicial cases, do affirm) that I have resided one year in this Province, with intent to settle therein, without having been, during that time, a stated resident in any foreign country. So help me God.