

CAP. III.

An Act to provide for the election of the Speaker of the Legislative Council.

[Assented to 23rd April, 1860.]

Preamble.

Imperial Act,
22, 23 V. c.
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Union Act.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in the Session holden in the twenty-second and twenty-third years of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter ten, "to empower the Legislature of Canada to make Laws regulating the appointment of a Speaker of the Legislative Council," it is in effect amongst other things enacted that it shall be lawful for the Parliament of Canada to provide for the election of a Speaker of the said Council, and for that purpose to vary and repeal, in such manner as to them may seem fit, so much of the provisions of the Act of the said Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in the Session holden in the third and fourth years of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter thirty-five, "to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada and for the government of Canada," or of any other Acts of the Parliament of the United Kingdom as relates to the appointment of such Speaker; and whereas it is expedient to provide for the election of such Speaker, and for that purpose to repeal the said provisions of the said Act or Acts, as well as similar provisions of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Certain provisions of the Union Act and of Cap. 3 of the Con. Stat. of Canada, relating to the appointment of a Speaker of the Legislative Council, repealed.

1. The ninth section of the said Act, third and fourth Victoria, chapter thirty-five, and so much of the provisions of the same or of any other Act or Acts of the Parliament of the United Kingdom as relates to the appointment of the Speaker of the Legislative Council of Canada, together with the twentieth and twenty-fourth sections of the first chapter, and the fourth sub-section of the fourth section of the third chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, and so much of the ninth and seventeenth sections of the said third chapter of the said Statutes as relates to the office of such Speaker, are hereby repealed.

Election of a Speaker, how and when to be had.

Term of office.

2. The members of the Legislative Council in attendance in the Legislative Council Chamber at the first convening of the said Council after this Act takes effect, and thereafter at each first convening of the said Council after the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of Speaker of the said Council, shall forthwith proceed to elect one of their number to be Speaker; and the member so from time to time elected Speaker shall preside at all sittings of the Legislative Council, and continue to be Speaker of the said Council until his death or resignation, or his ceasing to be a member of the said Council, or until the day