

which miscarriages and delays are likely unceasingly to occur, and most probably to multiply from an increase of Inhabitants, and the consequent more frequent occasion of Intercourse between this Island and Foreign parts: for prevention whereof, in future, as well as to perpetuate (*in omne volubile ævum*) the grateful remembrance of that peculiarly auspicious and happy period, of this Island having been under the command of *Lieutenant General His Royal Highness Prince Edward*, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the District of Nova-Scotia, Islands St. John, Cape Breton, and Newfoundland; Knight of the most noble order of the Garter, and of the most Illustrious order of Saint Patrick &c. &c. &c. *we the Lieutenant Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Island*, in General Assembly convened, most humbly beseech *The King's most Excellent Majesty* that it may be enacted,

The name of this Island to be altered from St. John's Island to that of Prince Edward Island.

I. *And be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor Council and Assembly*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid that the name of this Island shall be altered and changed from ST. JOHN'S ISLAND to that of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND. AND *to the end that* no temporary injury or prejudice whatever, may result from the change and alteration of the name, or appellation of this Island,

All Acts of Parliament, Commissions, &c. wherein the name of St. John's Island is or has been inserted, to be of equal force and validity as if the name of the Island had not been changed.

II. *Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid*, That all Acts of Parliament and Laws of this Island, and all Commissions, both Civil and Military, and all Patents, Grants, Deeds, Leases, Obligations, Recognizances and all Writs and Processes in the Courts of Law or Equity, and all other Writings and Records whatsoever, wherein the name of Saint John's Island now is, or heretofore have been inserted or mentioned, or to which there is any reference or relation whatever, are hereby declared to be, and shall continue to be, of equal force, power, validity, operation and effect, to all and very intent and purpose whatsoever, as if the name or appellation of this Island, had never been altered, or changed.

Preamble.

*And Whereas*, through mistake, inadvertency, or otherwise, it may so happen, that the name of *St. John's Island*, instead of *Prince Edward Island*, may be written or inserted in some Law, Commission, Patent, Grant, Deed, Lease, Obligation, Recognizance, Writ, Process, Record or other Writing, which shall or may hereafter be passed, issued, executed, made, done or entered into, in this Island, or elsewhere, having reference or relation to the name of this Island.

No error in the name of the Island to work any injury or prejudice, within seven years from the passing of this Act.

III. *Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid*, That no such error or mistake as aforesaid, in the name of this Island, *provided* the same shall happen *within the space of seven years*, from the passing of this Act, but not afterwards, shall work any injury or prejudice whatsoever, but that all and every such Act of Parliament, Commission, Patent, Grant, Deed, Lease, Obligation, Recognizance, Writ, Process, Record or other Writing, whatsoever shall notwithstanding be of equal force, validity, operation and effect to all intents and purpose