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An Act to establish the Boundary of Lots in the West Gore in the Township of Beverly.

WHEREAS instructions under date of 16th August, 1797, issued from the Surveyor General of the late Province of Upper Canada, to Deputy Surveyor John Stegman, directing him to make a Survey of the lines in front of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth Concessions, of the Township of Beverly, and the said John Stegman did in due course make returns in the usual form by Field Notes and Maps, purporting to shew that the Survey had been fully performed, and that he had laid out the said Concessions into Lots, giving to each the intended breadth of twenty chains, and had also surveyed and marked off the West Gore of the said Township of Beverly ; And whereas from operations in Survey conducted by Deputy Surveyors Adrian Marlat, Andrew Miller, Lewis Burwell, James Kirkpatrick and Publius V. Elmore, there is reason for believing that Deputy Surveyor Stegman positively surveyed but a limited number of the Lots in those Concessions, and that the first sub-division of a large portion of those Concessions into Lots was actually effected by other Surveyors than the said John Stegman, and acting without authority from the Government ; and that their irregular and illegal Surveys, by an assumed and unauthorized power exercised by the boundary line Commissioners of the District of Gore, appointed under the Act of U. C. 1st Victoria, chap. 19, were fixed and determined as Boundary or division lines, notwithstanding that the first authorized Survey subsequently to that by Mr. Stegman was effected at a later period by Deputy Surveyor James Kirkpatrick, under instructions from the Surveyor General, dated 26th September, 1836 ; And whereas the settlers in the before named Concessions of the Township of Beverly have not entered into possession of their Lots, in accordance with the authorized public Surveys made by Deputy Surveyor James Kirkpatrick, but have been guided by the Surveys which they primarily upon their own responsibility procured to be performed, and the said Boundary Commissioners subsequently

Preamble.

¹ Vic. cap 19.
Act of U. C.