

An Act to establish a Circuit Court in and for the County of Joliette.

**W**HEREAS in consequence of the great distance between the place at which the sittings of the Circuit Court in the Berthier Circuit are held, and that part of the Berthier Circuit comprising the County of Joliette as now constituted for electoral purposes, and that part of the Parish of St. Félix de Valois situate in the Township of Brandon, the inhabitants of the said localities are subjected to serious inconvenience and expense; And whereas it is expedient to detach the said County of Joliette and the said part of the Township of Brandon from the said Berthier Circuit, and to establish a new Circuit, to include the whole of the said County of Joliette, and the said part of the said Township of Brandon, which forms part of the said Parish of St. Félix de Valois; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. Upon and after the day of one thousand eight hundred and fifty, so much of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "*An Act to amend the law relative to the Courts of Original Civil Jurisdiction in Lower Canada*," as includes in the said Berthier Circuit the County of Joliette as at present constituted for electoral purposes, and that portion of the Parish of St Félix de Valois situate in the Township of Brandon, shall be and is hereby repealed; and upon, from, and after the said day, the said County of Joliette and that part of the Parish of St. Félix de Valois, situate in the Township of Brandon, shall be detached from the said Berthier Circuit, and shall, upon, from and after the said day, form and constitute a Circuit to be called the Joliette Circuit.

II. The Circuit Court for the Joliette Circuit, shall be held at the Village of Industry, in the Parish of St. Charles Borromée in the said Circuit.

III. The sittings of the Circuit Court for the Joliette Circuit, shall be held after the said day of 185, from the until the day inclusive, of each of the months in each year.

IV. All causes pending in the Circuit Court for the Berthier Circuit, at the time at which the said Joliette Circuit shall be established by virtue of this Act, shall be continued and prosecuted to final judgment, and all proceedings after judgment shall be had in the Circuit Court in the Berthier Circuit, as though this Act had not been passed.