

An Act to amend chapter Thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, respecting Agricultural Societies, the Board of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Association in Lower Canada.

WHEREAS it has been represented by petition that it would be ^{Preamble} for the interest of Agriculture that the Provincial Agricultural Exhibitions should be held alternately in the principal places in Lower Canada, and that it has happened, in consequence of holding the meetings of the Agricultural Association at the place where the Exhibitions have been held, and at the same time and the consequent large attendance of members of such district, that a resolution has been carried to hold the Exhibition twice consecutively in the same place to the prejudice of the other places in Lower Canada justly entitled to the same; and whereas Quebec, Montreal, Three Rivers and Sherbrooke have been represented as the most desirable places for holding the said Exhibitions; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, declares and enacts as follows:

1. From and after the passing of this Act, the Provincial Agricultural Exhibitions shall be held alternately in the following order, at Quebec, Three Rivers, Sherbrooke and Montreal; Provided, however, that suitable grounds and buildings shall be provided for the purposes of the exhibition, by the municipalities, inhabitants or agricultural societies in the districts in which the exhibitions are to be held. ^{Provincial Exhibitions to be held in certain places alternately. Proviso.}

2. The Board of Agriculture shall cause a notice to be given on or before the first day of April, to the mayor of the municipality entitled to the exhibition for the then current year, informing him of the time and place for holding the exhibition, together with a statement of the accommodation required for the purposes of the exhibition, and requesting to be informed, within one month, whether suitable grounds and buildings will be provided by the municipality, inhabitants or agricultural societies. ^{Notice to the mayor of the municipality where the exhibition is to be.}

3. In the event of the failure of any district entitled to the exhibition, to notify the Board of Agriculture of their willingness to provide the requisite accommodation, the offer of the exhibition shall be made on similar terms to the place next entitled to the same, and so on through the list. ^{If the municipalities will not provide proper accommodation.}

4. In the event of all the places entitled to the exhibition under the provisions of this Act, failing or neglecting to provide the accommodation required for the purposes of such exhibition, the Board of Agriculture may hold the exhibition in any other suitable place in Lower Canada, willing to provide grounds and permanent ^{If none of the places entitled will provide proper accommodation.}