

Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same, that so much of the said Act as in any manner relates to the appointment of a Council for the affairs of the said Province of Quebec, or to the power given by the said Act to the said Council, or to the major part of them, to make ordinances for the peace, welfare, and good government of the said Province, with the consent of His Majesty's Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And whereas His Majesty has been pleased to signify, by his message to both Houses of Parliament, his royal intention to divide his Province of Quebec into two separate Provinces, to be called the Province of Upper Canada and the Province of Lower Canada; be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that there shall be within each of the said Provinces respectively, a Legislative Council, and an Assembly, to be severally composed and constituted in the manner hereinafter described; and that in each of the said Provinces respectively, His Majesty, his heirs or successors, shall have power, during the continuance of this Act, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of such Provinces respectively, to make laws for the peace, welfare and good government thereof, such laws not being repugnant to this Act; and that all such laws, being passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly of either of the said Provinces respectively, and assented to by His Majesty, his heirs or successors, or assented to in His Majesty's name, by such person as His Majesty, his heirs or successors, shall from time to time appoint to be the Governor or Lieutenant-Governor of such Province, or by such person as His Majesty, his heirs or successors, shall from time to time appoint to administer the Government within the same, shall be, and the same are hereby declared to be, by virtue of and under the authority of this Act, valid and binding to all intents and purposes whatever, within the Province in which the same shall have been so passed.

[The other questions omitted as not affecting the question.]

ORDER IN COUNCIL, 24TH AUGUST, 1791, FOR THE DIVISION OF THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC INTO THE PROVINCES OF UPPER AND LOWER CANADA.

(Copy obtained by the Government of Ontario from the Public Records Office, London.)

AT THE COURT AT ST. JAMES', THE 24TH OF AUGUST, 1791.

PRESENT :

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas there was this day read at the Board a Report from the Right Honble. the Lords of the Committee of Council, dated the 19th of this instant, in the words following, viz. :—

“ Your Majesty having been pleased by Your Order in Council, bearing date the
 “ 17th of this instant, to refer unto this Committee, a letter from the Right Honble.
 “ Henry Dundas, one of your Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to the Lord
 “ President of the Council, transmitting a printed copy of an Act passed in the last
 “ Session of Parliament, entitled an Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in
 “ the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled An Act for making more effec-
 “ tual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America,
 “ and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province; and also
 “ copy of a Paper presented to Parliament previous to the passing of the said Act,
 “ describing the line proposed to be drawn for dividing the Province of Quebec into
 “ two separate Provinces, agreeable to Your Majesty's royal intention, signified by