

restrictions as to Commutation of the Tenure of their Lands, more onerous than those imposed upon the vassals (*censitaires*) of other Seigniories ; Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

Certain parts of the said Act relating to religious communities and corporate bodies repealed.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of 5 the same, That so much of the said Act as requires, or may be construed to require, that any Religious or Ecclesiastical Community, or other Corporate Body in Lower Canada, holding in mortmain Seigniories or Fiefs 10 therein, should give in to the Receiver General of this Province any authentic copy of any notarial agreement executed in virtue of the provisions of the said Act, or be liable to pay over into the hands of the said Receiver 15 General, any portion of the indemnity, commutation money, or consideration received or to be received in pursuance of any such agreement, or incur any penalty or forfeiture for neglecting or refusing so to do, and also so 20 much of the said Act as enacts that the commutation of any Seigniorial rights held in mortmain shall be accompanied by the same formalities as the alienation of any immovable property of the same party, and provides that such commutation shall be made 25 for an annual rent, and not otherwise, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Further provision as to commutation of Seigniorial rights held in mortmain.

II. And be it enacted, that the commutation of any Seigniorial rights held in mort- 30 main, or by any Corporation in Lower Canada, may be made without having previously obtained authority for so doing, and that no other formality need be observed than such as is required in the transfer of real property 35 from one person to another ; and that such commutation may be made for any consideration that may be agreed upon ; and that no portion of such consideration shall be payable to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Suc- 40 cessors.