

curators and usufructuary proprietors (*usufruitiers*) and holders of entailed lands, observe the formalities required by law in the alienation of the property of the persons whose rights shall be represented by them ; but persons holding in mortmain and corporations shall not be required to observe any other formality in or before the redemption of any such *rente constituée* than those prescribed by this Act.

XXV. And it shall be lawful for the several religious or ecclesiastical communities, holding in mortmain Fiefs or Seigniories in Lower Canada, to invest from time to time, as they shall see fit, in any lands or tenements in this Province, or in any public or private securities in this Province, which they shall deem the most advisable or advantageous to their respective communities, any sums of money that may accrue to them from the redemption of any *rente constituée* created under this Act, or out of the Special Fund appropriated by this Act.

Religious communities holding Seigniories may invest commutation money in real estate.

DESTINATION AND LEGAL CHARACTER OF PROPERTIES AND RIGHTS HEREAFTER TO REPRESENT SEIGNIORIES.

XXVI. In respect of all rights acquired in, to or upon, any Seignior before the publication in the *Canada Gazette* of the notice of the Receiver General of the deposit of the Schedule of any Seignior in his hands, and for the preservation whereof an opposition shall have been filed within six months from the date of the said publication, all lands and real rights which at and immediately before the passing of this Act were held by the Seignior as part of his Seignior, all rights secured to him under the Schedule thereof, all *rentes* under this Act to be created, all moneys to arise from the redemption of any such *rentes*, or to be received by the Seignior out of the aid granted by this Act to the *censitaires* towards the redemption of Seigniorial rights, duties and dues, and all properties and rights so by such Seignior acquired as to represent such moneys, shall be held and taken as though attached to the *domaine* of such Seignior, and as representing such Seignior ; but in respect of all rights thereafter to accrue, or for the preservation whereof no opposition shall have been filed within the delay aforesaid, all such lands, rights, *rentes* and moneys shall be held and taken to be, and shall be to all intents separate and independent properties and rights ; and it shall not be requisite that any person, in order to the holding, recovery or enforcement of any thereof, should qualify himself as being, or as ever having been, a Seignior.

As respects claims existing before the notice of deposit of the Schedule, and for which oppositions shall be filed, the *rentes constituées* shall be dealt with as the Seignior.

As regards other rights the said *rentes* shall be distinct properties.

XXVII. All *rentes constituées* to be created under this Act, shall have the same privileges *ex causâ* as the right of the *bailleur de fonds*, and the like preference over all other hypothecary claims affecting the land, as any Seigniorial dues upon or arising out of such land would have had previous to the redemption of the

Privileges for securing such *rentes*.