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BILL.

An Act to facilitate the settlement of uncultivated lands in the Townships of Lower Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS it is expedient to adopt every possible means to facilitate the settlement of uncultivated lands in the Townships of Lower Canada, and a large portion of the said Townships is in the same state as it was when Letters Patent were granted to divers persons, containing conditions that have not been fulfilled, and a great number of lots have been purchased for the sole purpose of cutting lumber thereon, and it is necessary for the advancement and prosperity of Lower Canada that the said lands be cleared and cultivated :—Be it therefore enacted, &c.

Preamble

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That all persons being in possession of any Township, or of any lot, half lot or parcel of land in any Township, shall, after having reserved a quantity of land sufficient for their settlement and that of their children, not exceeding acres for themselves and for each of their children, and cultivated or caused to be cultivated by their children or servants, be held and obliged to sell the lots, half lots or parcels of land remaining in such Township, at the same price, and on the same conditions as are or shall be demanded by the Provincial Government for Crown Lands in the same locality.

Parties in possession of Township lands required to sell such portions thereof as they do not require for their own use

II And be it enacted, That all persons having lands in their possession in the Townships of Lower Canada, whether they have

If they refuse they shall forfeit the same.