
Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, the eighteenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and in the seventeenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER, C. C. Chy.

Province of }
Canada. }

WM. ROWAN.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

John Ross, } **WHEREAS**, at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province of
Atty. Gen. } *Canada*, begun and holden at Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, on the nineteenth day of August, and prorogued on the fourteenth day of June, in the sixteenth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled, “An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*,” was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the fourteenth day of June aforesaid, presented to the Right Honorable the Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for Our Assent thereto, who, in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, passed in the Session thereof held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled, “An Act to re-unite the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, and for the Government of *Canada*,” and according to his discretion then and there declared, that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of Our pleasure thereon : Now know ye, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled, “An Act for the relief of *William Henry Beresford*,” having been laid before Us in Council, on the twenty-fourth day of October last past, We have been pleased to declare Our special confirmation of the said Act; and We do by these presents, and according to the provisions of the said Act of the Parliament of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, specially confirm, ratify, finally enact and assent to the said Bill; of which all Our loving subjects are hereby required to take notice, and to govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed : Witness, Our trusty and well-beloved *William Rowan*, Esquire, C.B., Administrator of the Government of Our said Province, and Lieutenant General commanding Our Forces therein, &c. &c. &c. At *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this fifth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and in the seventeenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

P. J. O. CHAUVEAU, Secretary.
