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BILL.

An Act to make certain provisions with regard to Common Schools in Upper Canada for a limited period.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make some further provision for the improvement of Common Schools in Upper Canada, and to modify and extend some of the provisions of the Act thirteenth and fourteenth Victoria, chapter forty-eight, intituled *An Act for the better establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in Upper Canada*; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Board of School Trustees in each City Town and Incorporated Village, shall, in addition to the powers with which they are now legally invested, possess and exercise, as far as they shall judge expedient, in regard to each such City, Town and Incorporated Village, all the powers with which the Trustees of each School Section are or may be invested by law in regard to each such School Section.

Preamble.

13 and 14 Vic.
c. 48, cited.

Powers of
School
Trustees
extended.

II. And be it enacted, That the Trustees of each School Section, shall, as the elected Representatives of such Section, determine the manner in which all the School expenses of such Section shall be provided for, whether by any or all of the three authorized methods of voluntary subscription, rate-bill for each pupil attending the School, or by rate upon property: Provided always, that no rate shall be imposed upon the inhabitants of any School Section according to the whole number of children, or of the number of children of legal school age, residing in such section: Provided, secondly, that the Trustees of each School Section shall see that each School under their charge is, at all times, duly provided with a Register and Visitors' Book, in the form prepared according to law; nor shall any School Section in which such books are not provided and duly kept, or in which a periodical devoted to Education is not taken by the Trustees as required by law, be entitled to receive aid from the Common School Fund: Provided, thirdly, that the Trustees of each School Section shall have authority to take such steps as they may judge expedient to unite their School with any public Grammar School, which shall be situated within, or adjacent to the limits of their School Section: Provided, fourthly, that the Trustees of each School Section shall be personally responsible for the amount of any School moneys which shall be forfeited and lost to such School Section during the period of their continuance in office, in consequence of their neglect of duty; and the amount thus forfeited or lost shall be collected and applied in the manner provided by the ninth section of the said Act, thirteenth and fourteenth Victoria, chapter forty-eight, for the collection and application of the fines imposed by the said section: Provided fifthly, that the Trus-

How Trustees
shall provide
for School
expenses.

Proviso: as to
number of
children.

Proviso: for
Register and
Visitors' book,
and Education
Periodical.

Proviso: Union of
School to
Grammar
School.

Proviso: Trustees
responsible
for moneys
forfeited.

Application
of moneys
forfeited.

Penalty on
Trustees