

AN ACT

To Incorporate the General Drainage and Land Improvement Company of Canada.

WHEREAS land is capable of being greatly increased in productiveness and value by works of Drainage and other permanent improvements; and whereas the sanitary condition of Cities, Towns, and Villages is greatly advanced by Sewerage, Water Supply, and other operations; and whereas the more general extension of such works tends to prevent and remove epidemic and other diseases, and to improve the public health, and it is therefore expedient to encourage and facilitate such operations by all fitting means, and particularly by the application of joint stock capital and collective enterprise; and whereas the provisions of the Act passed in the session of the 13th and 14th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical and Chemical purposes;" and also of the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's reign, to amend the same, are of limited application and insufficient for the several operations herein contemplated: Be it therefore enacted, &c., as follows:

I. From and after the passing of this Act, the following parties—Sir Allan N. MacNab, M. P. P., of Dundurn; the Honorable William Cayley, M. P. P., of Toronto; S. B. Freeman, M.P.P., of Hamilton; Sir Edward Poore, Baronet, of Cobourg; E. Cartwright Thomas, Esq., of Hamilton; Charles P. Treadwell, Esq., of L'Orignal, President of the Board of Agriculture; Geo. Buckland, Esq., of Toronto, Secretary of the Board of Agriculture; R. L. Denison, Esq., of Toronto; J. B. Marks, Esq., of Kingston; Thos. C. Street, Esq., M. P. P., of Niagara; Hugh C. Baker, Esq., of Hamilton; J. T. Gilkison, Esq., of Hamilton; William Matthie, Esq., of Kingston; Honorable Adam Fergusson, of Woodhill; George B. Alexander, Esq., of Woodstock; William Balkwell,