

SESSIONAL PAPER No. 30

ALURED CLARKE.

GEORGE the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all Our loving Subjects whom these presents may concern. Whereas in pursuance of an Act of Parliament lately made and provided, passed in the Thirty-first Year of Our Reign and of Authority by Us given for that purpose, Our late Province of Quebec is become divided into the two Provinces of Upper Canada and Lower Canada, and Our Lieutenant Governor of the said Province of Lower Canada by Power from Us derived, is authorized in the absence of Our Right Trusty and Wellbeloved Guy Lord Dorchester, Captain General and Governor in Chief of Our said Province of Lower Canada to divide the said Province of Lower Canada into Districts, Counties, Circles or Towns and Townships for the purpose of effectuating the intent of the said Act of Parliament, and to declare and appoint the number of Representatives to be chosen by each to serve in the Assembly of the said Province. KNOW YE THEREFORE, that Our Trusty and Wellbeloved Alured Clarke, Our Lieutenant Governor of Our said Province of Lower Canada, in the absence of Our said Governor in Chief, hath and by this Our Proclamation doth divide the said Province of Lower Canada into Counties, Cities, and Towns, and declare and appoint the number of the Representatives of them and each of them to be as herein after limited, named, declared and appointed, that is to say, that the first of the said Counties be all that part of the said Province on the Southerly side of the River St. Lawrence, now called the District of Gaspé, as described in Our Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of Our late Province of Quebec, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of July in the twenty-eighth year of Our Reign; and that the second of the said Counties to be called Cornwallis, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the same side of the River St. Lawrence between the said County of Gaspé and a line running South-east from the westerly angle of a tract of land commonly called the Seigniorship of Mr. Lauchlan Smith or St. Ann's, together with the Islands of St. Barnaby and Bic, and all other Islands in the said River nearest to the said County, and in the whole or in part fronting the same; and that the third of the said Counties to be called Devon, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the same side of the said River of St. Lawrence between the westerly side of the said County of Cornwallis and a line parallel thereto running from the westerly angle of a tract of land commonly called the Seigniorship of the River du Sud, together with all the Islands in the River St. Lawrence nearest to the said County, and in the whole or in part fronting the same; and that the fourth of the said Counties be called Hertford, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the southerly side of the said River St. Lawrence between the westerly side of the said County of Devon and a line parallel thereto, running from the northeasterly angle of a tract of land commonly called the Seigniorship of Lauzon or the Seigniorship Point Levy, together with all the Islands in the said River St. Lawrence nearest to the said County, and in the whole or in part fronting the same; and that the fifth of the said Counties to be called Dorchester, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the southerly side of the said River St. Lawrence, between the westerly side of the said County of Hertford and a line parallel thereto, running from the westerly angle of the aforesaid tract of land called the Seigniorship of Lauzon or the Seigniorship of Point Levy, together with all the Islands in the said River St. Lawrence nearest to the said County, and in the whole or in part fronting the same; and that the sixth of the said Counties to be called Buckinghamshire, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the southerly side of the said River St. Lawrence between the westerly side of the said County of Dorchester and a line parallel thereto, running from the northeasterly angle of a tract of land commonly called the Seigniorship of Sorel, together with all the Islands in the said River St. Lawrence (or Lake St. Peter) nearest to the said County, and in the whole or in part fronting the same; and that the seventh of the said Counties to be called Richlieu, shall comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the southerly side of the said