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CHAP. 17.

An Act further to amend and to consolidate, as so amended, the several Acts respecting the Public Lands of the Dominion therein mentioned.

[Assented to 25th May, 1883.]

[As amended by 47 Victoria, chap. 25; assented to 19th April, 1884.]

WHEREAS it is expedient, with a view to the proper Preamble. and efficient administration and management of certain of the public lands of the Dominion, that the same should be regulated by statute, and divers Acts have been passed for that purpose which it is expedient further to amend and to consolidate as so amended: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

PRELIMINARY-INTERPRETATION.

- 1. This Act applies exclusively to the public lands included Extent of Act. in Manitoba and the several Territories of the Dominion, which lands shall be styled and known as Dominion lands; and this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Dominion Short title. Lands Act, 1883;" and the following terms and expressions Interpretatherein shall be held to have the meaning hereinafter tion of terms assigned them, unless such meaning be repugnant to the subject or inconsistent with the context; that is to say:—
- 1. The term Minister of the Interior means the Minister of Minister of the Interior of Canada;
- 2. The term Surveyor-General means the officer of the Surveyor Department of the Interior bearing that designation, or the General chief clerk performing his duties for the time being;
- 3. The term Agent or Officer means any person, or officer, Agent, Officer, employed in connection with the administration and management, sale or settlement of Dominion lands; and the term Local Agent means the Agent for Dominion lands employed Local Agent, 17—1