

lence on the part of persons acting or assuming to act on behalf of Her Majesty, in the suppression of the said Rebellion, or for the prevention of further disturbances, and all claims arising under or in respect of the occupation of any houses or other premises by Her Majesty's naval or military forces, either Imperial or Provincial; subject always to the limitations and exceptions contained in the Preamble to this Act. 5 10

Commissioners to hold their sittings at such times and places as Governor may direct

XII. And be it enacted, That the Commissioners appointed under this Act, shall hold their sittings at such places and times, and for such counties, parishes or other territorial divisions respectively, as the Governor in Council shall from time to time direct and notify to them through the Provincial Secretary, and shall give such public notice of their said meetings as they shall in like manner be required to give; and at such meetings any three of the said Commissioners shall be a *quorum*, and any report, award or proceeding in which three of the Commissioners shall concur, shall be deemed to be made or done by the Commissioners; Provided always, that no sitting of the said Commissioners shall be held after the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and no claim shall be received by them after the first day of May of one thousand eight hundred and fifty. 15 20 25 30

Proviso

Commissioners to have power to examine upon oath persons appearing before them

XIII And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners shall have full power and authority to examine upon oath (which oath any one of them may administer) any person who shall appear before them, either as a claimant or as a witness for or against any claim, or for the better information of the Commissioners concerning the same; and shall have full power and authority to summon before them any person or party whom they may deem it expedient to examine touching any claim, and to require him to bring with him, and produce any book, paper, 35 40