

manner provided by the last-mentioned Act; and further, that it should be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-governor, or person administering the government of either of the said provinces, with the consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in pursuance of His Majesty's instructions, to give or grant in exchange for any part of the said Clergy Reserves any lands within the said province of equal value with such Clergy Reserves so to be taken in exchange, or to accept in exchange for any such Clergy Reserves from any person or persons any lands of equal value; and that any lands so taken in exchange for any such Clergy Reserves should be holden by the Crown in trust for the purposes to which the Clergy Reserves were appropriated by the Acts firstly and secondly above cited: And whereas, by another Act of the said Parliament, passed in the Session held in the 3d and 4th years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Sale of the Clergy Reserves in the Province of Canada, and for the Distribution of the Proceeds thereof," other and further provision is made for the sale of the whole of the said Clergy Reserves, and for the investment of the proceeds of such sale, and the distribution of the interest and dividends on such investments, and of the interest on sales of Clergy Reserves on credit, or rents arising from Clergy Reserves demised for a term of years, subject to the provision that the quantity of the said Clergy Reserves so to be sold in any one year shall not in the whole exceed 100,000 acres, without the previous approbation in writing of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and to other the restrictions and conditions in the said Act mentioned and imposed; and so much of the Act herein first cited as relates to any reservations of land to be made after the passing of the Act herein last cited in Upper Canada or Lower Canada for the support and maintenance of a Protestant clergy is repealed: And whereas, by another Act of the said Parliament, passed in the 16th year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled, "An Act to authorise the Legislature of the Province of Canada to make Provision concerning the Clergy Reserves in that Province, and the proceeds thereof," it is in effect enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Legislature of the Province of Canada from time to time, by any Act or Acts to be for that purpose made and enacted, in the manner and subject to the conditions required by the Act of the said Parliament passed in the Session thereof held in the 3d and 4th years of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled, "An Act to reunite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," sections 37, 38, and 39, in respect of Acts made and enacted by the said Legislature, to vary or repeal all or any of the provisions of the Act herein last above cited, for or concerning the sale, alienation, or disposal of the said Clergy Reserves, and for or concerning the investment of the proceeds of all sales then made or thereafter to be made of such Reserves, and for or concerning the appropriation and application of such proceeds and investments, the interests and dividends accruing on sales on credit of such Reserves, the rents of such Reserves for the time being unsold, and all other the profits of or accruing from such Reserves, and (notwithstanding the said Act herein thirdly above cited) to make such other provisions for or concerning the sale, alienation, or disposal of the said Clergy Reserves and such investments as aforesaid, and for or concerning the appropriation and application of such Clergy Reserves, proceeds, investments, interests, dividends, rents, and profits as to the said Legislature may seem meet; subject to the proviso, that it shall not be lawful for the said Legislature by any Act or Acts thereof as aforesaid, to annul, suspend, or reduce any of the annual stipends or allowances which have been already assigned and given to the clergy of the Churches of England and Scotland, or to any other religious bodies or denominations of Christians in Canada (and to which the faith of the Crown is pledged), during the natural lives or incumbencies of the parties now receiving the same; or to appropriate or apply to any other purpose, such part of the said proceeds investments, interests, dividends, rents, and profits as may be required to provide for the payment of such stipends and allowances during such lives and incumbencies: And whereas it is expedient to alter in certain particulars the provisions of the Act thirdly above cited, touching the matters subjected by the Act fourthly above cited, to the control of the Legislature of this province; 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