ecute the commission of Governor within this Province for the time being; and the word "Councillor" and the word "Councillors," wherever they occur in this Act, shall be understood as meaning any member or members of the said Council of the 5 City of Montreal, unless by the context it shall appear clearly that the words "Councillor" or "Councillors," respectively, are intended to apply exclusively to a member or members of the said Council, who is not or are not the Mayor or Alderman or Aldermen of the said City; and the words, "the said Cor-10 poration," or "the said Corporation of the City of Montreal," wherever they occur in this Act, shall be understood as meaning the said Corporation of "the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Montreal," unless the context necessarily requires a different meaning to be given to those words; and that the 15 words "Lower Canada," wherever they occur in this Act, are to be understood as meaning and comprehending that part of the Province of Canada which formerly constituted the Province of Lower Canada; and any word or words implying the singular number, or the masculine gender only, shall be un-20 derstood to include several matters of the same kind as well as one matter, and several persons as well as one person, and bodies corporate as well as individuals, unless it be otherwise specially provided, or there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

25 XCVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be held and Public Act. taken to be a public Act, and as such shall be judiciously taken notice of by all Judges, Justices, and persons whomsoever, without being specially pleaded.