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AN Act to repeal and amend certain parts of an Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, for amending the Judicature thereof, and for repealing certain Laws therein-mentioned," and to make further provision for the more certain and uniform administration of Justice within the said Province.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

EXPERIENCE having demonstrated that the provisions contained in the Provincial Statute passed in the thirty-fourth year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, for amending the Judicature thereof, and for repealing certain laws therein-mentioned," have not produced the effects for which they were intended, and that the constitutions of the several Courts thereby erected, are not calculated to produce uniformity and certainty in the administration of Justice, either in criminal or civil cases, and the defects in the constitutions of the said Courts having been found to consist principally in the want of a Superior permanent Tribunal, as well for the administration of Justice in appeal in all civil pleas, as for the administration of justice in all pleas of the Crown, by an original jurisdiction co-extensive with the limits of the Province;—May it therefore please your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North-America," and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that so much of the said Statute, passed in the thirty-fourth year of his late Majesty's Reign, as in any manner relates to the establishment,