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The more accurately to define the limits of certain existing Counties in this Province, and to establish new and more convenient limits than heretofore have been to the several Districts therein.

WHEREAS a more accurate definition of the outlines of certain existing Counties, and a new formation of the several Districts in this Province, embracing certain entire Counties, would lead to a better arrangement of the Magistracy, of the inferior local Officers, and the Militia of the country, and might enable the Executive Government to inquire into and obtain information upon the state of the Province, more effectually than the present system, which covers abuses and creates inconveniences in the subordinate branches of the Government of the Province, to which the care of the Executive Government should be directed. And whereas the same hath been by a message from His Excellency the Governor in Chief, the Right Honorable the Earl of Dalhousie, recommended to both branches of the Legislature, in the present Session of the same: Be it therefore 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 declared and enacted by the authority of the same, that the several Counties herein-after mentioned, shall be known, described, bounded and limited as herein-after described. That is to say, the County of Gaspé, shall be bounded on the north by the River St. Lawrence; on the south by Chaleurs Bay and the River Ristigouche; on the east by the Gulf of St. Lawrence; and on the west by the following boundary lines, viz. commencing at Cape Chat, heretofore established as the boundary of the said District, running from thence south-east, from the astronomical meridian, a distance of forty-seven miles, thence south 69 degrees west, to a mathematical point,