An Act to amend the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act, as regards certain Municipalities in the District of Gaspé.

WHEREAS the tracts of land hereinafter mentioned were, by Pro- Preamble. clamation under the Great Seal of this Province, bearing date the eighteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, issued under the authority of the Act passed in 5 the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, and chaptered forty, declared to be and constituted Municipalities under the said Act; and whereas the inhabitants of the said tracts have held the same to be Municipalities under the provisions of the Lower Canada Municipal Act and Road of 1855, and under the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act now in 10 force, and have elected Municipal Councillors and otherwise acted under the said Acts as local Municipal Corporations; and whereas doubts have arisen whether the said tracts did constitute local Municipalities, inasmuch as they were not strictly Townships nor Parishes, and it is expedient to remove the said doubts and to confirm the said tracts as 15 local Municipalities: Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., declares and enacts as follows:

I. The tract of land which at the date of the Proclamation mentioned Municipality in the Preamble, formed and comprised the Seigniory of Grand River, of Grand in the County of Gaspé, is and shall be a local Municipality, by the River. 20 name of the Municipality of Grand River.

II. The tract of land which, at the date of the said Proclamation, Of Newport. formed and comprised the Seigniory of Pabos and the Township of Newport, both in the said County of Gaspé, is and shall be a local Municipality, by the name of the Municipality of Newport.

III. The tract of land which, at the date of said Proclamation, formed Of Shoolbred. and composed part of the Seigniory of Shoolbred, and the Township of Nouvelle, in the County of Bonaventure, is and shall be a local Municipality, by the name of the Municipality of Shoolbred.

IV. The said tracts of land shall be held to have been local Munici- To be held to 30 palities from the time of the coming into force of the Lower Canada have been Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and shall continue to be such for all since July, the purposes of the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act, as if 1855. they were Township Municipalities, and their limits as such shall not be affected by the erection of any Parish or Parishes made, or hereafter to 35 be made, except only in so far as any Parish or part of a Parish may, under the provisions of the Act last cited, be annexed to either of the said Municipalities: and every By-law of either of such Local Munici- By-laws, etc. palities, and every act done by either of them, shall be good and valid if it would have been good and valid if made or done by any other 40 Township Municipality.