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CAP. XLIV.

*An Act to render permanent certain parts of the Act for amending the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland. [25th June 1847.]*

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for amending the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland, it was amongst other things enacted, that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, in or by any Commission or Commissions under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, to be thereafter issued for the Government of Newfoundland, and in and by any Instructions under Her Majesty's Signet and Sign Manual accompanying and referred to in any such Commission or Commissions, to establish a qualification in respect of Income or Property in right of which any person might be thereafter elected to serve as a Member of the Assembly of Newfoundland; provided that no such qualification should be fixed at more than a net annual Income arising from any source whatsoever of One Hundred Pounds, or the possession of Property, clear of all Incumbrances, exceeding Five Hundred Pounds in amount or value; and that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, in manner aforesaid, to fix and determine the length of the period of residence within any Electoral District in the said Island which should be required, in addition to any other qualification, for voting at Elections within such District, or for being elected to serve as a Member of the Assembly, provided that such period should not extend beyond the period of Two Years next preceding any such Election; and that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, in manner aforesaid, to restrain the said Assembly from appropriating to the public service within the Island of Newfoundland any part of the public revenue thereof in cases where such services should not have been previously recommended, or such grants of money should not have been previously asked by or on the behalf of Her Majesty; and that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, in manner aforesaid, to restrain and prohibit the election of Members to serve in the said Assembly in different Districts on successive or different days, and to require that all such Elections should be simultaneous, and should be completed within a time to be limited, and that any such future Commission or Instructions as aforesaid should be laid before both Houses of Parliament within thirty days next after the date thereof, should Parliament then be in Session, or if not,