

12 ACTS OF THE PARLIAMENTS OF CANADA AND JAMAICA,

CANADA.

tions, the Lords of that Committee have reported to His Majesty their opinion, that these Bills ought to be confirmed; and I have the honour herewith to transmit to you two Orders of His Majesty in Council, dated respectively, the 31st day of January last, approving that report, and confirming the Bills accordingly.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Goderich.*

— No. 4. —

No. 4.
Viscount Goderich
to Governor
Lord Aylmer,
13 April 1832.

(No. 97.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Viscount *Goderich* to Governor Lord *Aylmer*.

My Lord,

Downing-street, 13 April 1832.

No. 741 to No. 747.

No. 744, Jewish
Disabilities.
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VARIOUS Acts reserved by the Governor of the Province of Lower Canada, in the month of March 1831,* for the signification of his Majesty's pleasure, having been referred to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, the Lords of that Committee have reported their opinion that the said Acts should be specially confirmed and finally enacted, and I have the honour herewith to transmit to your Lordship an Order of His Majesty in Council, dated the 12th instant, approving that report.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Goderich.*

— No. 5. —

(No. 26.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Mr. Secretary *Stanley* to Governor Lord *Aylmer*.

No. 5.
Mr. Secretary
Stanley to Governor
Lord Aylmer,
28 August 1833.
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My Lord,

Downing-street, 28 August 1833.

In answer to your Lordship's despatch, No. 65,† of the 18th of June last, representing that members of the Jewish Religion are prevented from becoming magistrates in Lower Canada, because the oath which it would be requisite for them to take in entering on the office, contains the words "on the true faith of a Christian;" I have the honour to acquaint you, that I am not aware of any reason why this difficulty should not be removed by an enactment of the Provincial Legislature. If it be supposed necessary that such a law should be laid before both Houses of Parliament, under the 46th section of the 31 Geo. 3, I cannot think the opinion well founded. But even if an Act for the relief of Jewish Magistrates should be within the meaning of that part of the British Statute, this would form no objection to the origination of the measure in the province. I must therefore recommend that application should be made to the Legislature for the remedy of the inconvenience which your Lordship has brought under my notice, unless that course be opposed by some insuperable obstacle which has not occurred to me, and which in that case your Lordship will have the goodness to report.

I have, &c.
(signed) *E. J. Stanley.*

JAMAICA.