

in the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the first day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three, all Justices of the Peace to be appointed in the several Districts of this Province, shall be of the most sufficient persons, dwelling in the said Districts, respectively.

II. And be it enacted, that no Attorney, Solicitor, or Proctor in any Court whatsoever, shall, from and after the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty three, be capable of being or continue to be a Justice of the Peace in and for any District of this Province, during such time as he shall continue to practice as an Attorney, Solicitor or Proctor.

III. And be it enacted, that from and after the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty three, no person shall be a Justice of the Peace, or act as such within any District of this Province, who shall not have in his actual possession, to and for his own proper use and benefit, a real Estate either in free and common soccage, or *en fief*, or *en rôtture*, or *en franc alleu*, in absolute property, or for life, or by *emphytéose*, or lease for one or more lives, or originally created for a term not less than twenty-one years, or by usufructuary possession for his life in lands, tenements or other immoveable property, lying and being in this Province, of or above the value of three hundred pounds, currency, over and above what will satisfy and discharge all incumbrances affecting the same, and over and above all rents and charges payable out of or affecting the same, or who shall not before the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty three, or before he takes upon himself to act as a Justice of the Peace after the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, take and subscribe the Oath following, before some Justice of the Peace for the District for which he intends to act, that is to say:—"I, A. B. do swear, that I truly and *bonâ fide*, have to and for my own proper use and benefit, such an Estate (*specifying the nature of such Estate, whether land, and if land, designating the same by its local description, rents, or any thing else*) as doth qualify me to act as Justice of the Peace for the District of _____ according to the true intent and meaning of an Act of the Provincial Parliament, made in the sixth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, and intituled, *An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace*; and that the same is lying and being (or issuing out of lands, tenements or hereditaments, situate) within the Township, Parish, or Seigniority of _____, (or in the several Townships, Parishes, or Seigniorities of _____) (or as the case may be.)—So help me God."—A certificate of which oath having been so taken and subscribed as aforesaid, shall be forthwith deposited by the said Justice of the Peace, who shall have taken the same at the

Peace, to be appointed in the several Districts of this Province, to be of the most sufficient persons dwelling in the said Districts respectively.

No Attorney, Solicitor or Proctor, to be a Justice of the Peace, during the time he shall continue to practice as such.

Qualification required of all persons that shall be appointed Justices of the Peace.

To take an Oath.

The Oath.

The certificate of such Oath to be deposited at

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See 12 Vic. c. 78. sec 37