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An Act to amend Chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting Public Education.

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An Act to amend Chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting public Education.

WHEREAS, the law in relation to public instruction does not give Preamble. authority to School Commissioners or Trustees to take possession of lands selected by them as sites for School Houses, in the event of the proprietors refusing to sell and convey them; and whereas, it is expedient 5 to remedy an inconvenience calculated to place obstacles in the way of education in Lower Canada; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1.. The sixty-fourth section of Chapter fifteen of the Consolidated New para-
10 Statutes for Lower Canada, intituled, "An Act respecting Provincial graph to Sec-
aid for superior Education and Normal and Common Schools," is 15, Con. Stat.
hereby amended by adding thereto the following paragraph : L.C.

15 "9. If after having selected a lot of land as a site for a School Arbitration
House, the Commissioners or Trustees cannot make terms with the pro- as to sites for
prietor in respect of the amount of purchase money, or in case the pro- school-houses
prietor refuses to deliver possession of the land required, then the mat-
ter shall be settled by arbitrators in the manner following: The Com-
missioners shall appoint an arbitrator, the owner of the land shall ap-
point another, and the two arbitrators shall conjointly appoint a third,
20 and in case of disagreement, the third arbitrator shall be appointed by
the Judge of the Superior Court for the District, upon the application
of one of the parties, and such arbitrators shall have all the powers ne-
cessary for the summoning, hearing, swearing and examination of the
witnesses; and the award of the Arbitrators, or of a majority of them,
25 shall be final and shall designate the party who shall be liable for the
costs of the Arbitration."

2. This Act shall be construed as forming, to all intents and pur- This Act to be
poses, a part of Chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower part of Act
Canada. above cited.