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An Act to amend "An Act re Separate Schools" in Upper Ca so far as the same relates to Roma lic Separate Schools.

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An Act to amend "An Act respecting Separate Schools" in Upper Canada in so far as the same relates to Roman Catholic Separate Schools.

Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

Preamble.

1. Section numbered eighteen of chapter sixty-five of the Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be substituted:

Sect. 18 of c. 65, of Con. Stat., U. C., repealed.

5 "Any number of persons, not less than five, being heads of families, and freeholders or householders, resident within any School Section of any Township, Village or Town, or within any ward of any City, or Town, and being Roman Catholics, may convene a public meeting of persons desiring to establish a Separate School for Roman Catholics, in such 10 School Section or ward, for the election of Trustees for the management of the same."

New section.

Five heads of funilies to call meeting.

II. Section number twenty of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be substituted:

Sect. 20 repcaled.

Notice of the holding of such meeting, and of such election of Trustees, 15 shall be given by one of the Trustees so elected, to the Reeve or head of the Municipality, or to the Chairman of the Board of Common School Trustees, in the Township, Village, Town, or City in which such School is about to be established, designating by their names, professions, and residences, the persons elected in the manner aforesaid, as 20 Trustees for the management thereof.

New section.

Written notice to certain officer.

Contents.

III. Section number twenty-three of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be substituted:

Sect. 23 repealed.

"Where such notice has been given of the election of Trustees in more than one ward of any city or town, or in more that one school section 25 in any municipality adjoining or contiguous to each other, the Trustees therein may, if they think fit, form a union for the establishment of separate schools in such parts of said cities or towns, or in such sections of the municipality as they think fit; and from the day in which the notice announcing such union shall be published in any public newspaper, 30 issued in such city, town, village or municipality, or in the city, town, village or municipality nearest thereto, the Trustees of the several wards in such city or town, and the Trustees of such sections in any municipality, shall form a body corporate, under the title of "The Board of Trustees of the Roman Catholic United Separate Schools, for the city ;" or "the Board of Trus-, in the county of 35 (or town) of tees of the Roman Catholic United Separate Schools, for the united Sec-

tions, numbers (as the case may be,) in the township of

county of

New section.

Union of wards and sections, how formed.

Notice of Unions.

Boct. 29 10pealed.

IV. Section numbered twenty-nine of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be aubstituted:

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New section.

Exemption:

from Common

School Rates.

"Every person paying rates, whether as proprietor or tenant, who, on or before the first day of February in any year, gives, or who on or before the first day of February of the present year, has given, to the Clerk of the municipality, notice that he is a Roman Catholic, and a supporter of a Separate School situated in the said municipality, or in a municipality contiguous thereto, shall be exempted from the payment of all rates imposed for the support of common schools, and of common school libraries, or for the purchase of land or erection of buildings for 10 common school purposes, within the new municipality, for the new current year, and every subsequent year thereafter, while he continues a supporter of a Separate School.—And such notice shall not be required to be renewed annually; and it shall be the duty of the Trustees of every separate school to transmit to the Clerk of the municipality, on 15 or before the first day of June in each year, a correct list of the names of all persons supporting the separate schools under their management.'

Sect. 34 renealed.

V. Section number thirty-four of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following shall be substituted in lieu thereof:

New section.

"The Trustees of each such Separate School, shall, on or before the thirtieth day of June, and thirty-first day of December of each year, transmit to the Chief Superintendent of Education for Upper Canada, a correct Return of the names of the children attending such School. together with the average attendance during the six next preceding months, 25 or during the number of months which have clapsed since the establishment thereof, and the number of months it has been so kept open, and the Chief Superintendent shall, thereupon, determine the proportion which the Trustees of such Separate School are entitled to receive out of such Legislative grant, and shall pay over the amount thereof to such Trus- 30 tees; Provided always, that should the said Return be proved, to the satisfaction of the Chief Superintendent, to be false, in any important matter therein contained—then such Separate School shall forfeit its proportion of such Legislative grant for the then current year."

returns to Superintendent. Share of

Half-yearly

grant.

Penalty for false returns.