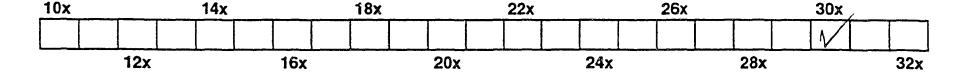
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HEREAS it is expedient by reason of Preamble. the distance at which the Settlements of Saint Anne des Monts and Cape Chat, on the south shore of the St. Lawrence, apper-5 taining to the north division of the Municipality of Gaspé, are situate from Gaspé Basin, where the sittings of the said Municipality whereof they constitute a portion are by lawholden, and the want of a road of communi-10 cation between thes aid Settlements and the Bay of Gaspé, to detach the said Settlements from the said Municipality, and to authorize the inhabitant householders therein to organize and erect themselves into a separate and 15 independent Municipality suitable to their local situation and circumstances, and for the regulation and government of their local concerns, and for this purpose to authorize and empower them from time to time as 20 the occasion or increase of inhabitant householders in the said Settlements may call for or require, to re-form and re-organize themselves in such manner as they shall deem most conducive to their public and local in-25 terests, and the internal improvement of their localities; Be it therefore enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of Settlements of the same, That from and after the passing of Monts and Cape this Act, the said Settlements of Ste. Anne Chat, set apart 30 des Monts and of Cape Chat shall be de- Municipality tached from the said Municipality called and and incorporaknown as the North Division of Gaspé, of ted as such. which heretofore they made part, and that the inhabitant householders in the said two set-

tlements shall from and after the passing hereof constitute a body corporate and politic by the name of The Municipality of Ste. Anne des Monts, and by that name have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, and 5 may or may not, as to the said Corporation shall seem meet, have a common seal, and shall have the power to take, hold and enjoy within the limits of such Municipality real property not exceeding the yearly value, in 10 amount, of , and to alienate the same, and shall have all such other corporate powers as, though not'expressly mentioned in and granted by this Act. shall be necessary for the due performance 15 of the duties and the due exercise of the powers which are hereby imposed or conferred on the said Corporation.

Limits of Mucularly des-

II. And be it enacted, That if it shall be nicipality may found necessary at any time hereafter to de- 20 fine more particularly than hereinabove, the cribed by order local limits of the said Municipality of Ste. Anne des Monts, it may be done by an Order or Orders in Council by the Governor or Person administering the Government of the 25 Province for the time being, and the limits of the said Municipality being so defined and fixed, the said Corporation shall have and may exercise within such limits all and every the corporate and other powers given and 30 conferred upon the Municipal Corporations by and in virtue of an Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's 10 and 11 Vic. Reign, intituled, "An Act to make better " provision for the establishment of Municipal 35 "Authorities in Lower Canada," and this notwithstanding any repeal or modification of the said Act that may take place, and which shall nevertheless always be referred to, as that by which the powers hereby given' to the said Corporation as well as the liabili- 40

c. 7, cited.

III. And be it enacted, That the said Cor-Corporation to be represented by a Municipal council. Council, to consist of the Councillors or

ties thereof shall be ruled.

members chosen as hereinafter mentioned. and who shall perform the duties, and exercise the powers hereby conferred upon the said Corporation subject always to the liabilities 5 as in the like cases are provided in and by the above recited Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That in the course Provision with of the month of June next after the passing respect to dividing the setof this Act or as soon thereafter as may be, tlement into 10 it shall be the duty of the senior Justice of purposes of the Peace in concurrence with the two senior this Act. officers of Militia residing in the said settlements of Ste. Anne des Monts and Cape Chat, or either of them, to meet at such 15 place thereat as the said senior Justice of the Peace shall by writing designate for the purpose, and there to agree upon and make a division of the said settlements into Districts for the purposes of this Act, each con-20 sisting of not less than (twenty) heads of families being inhabitant householders, and of which division and of the proceedings relative thereto, a memorandum or proces verbal signed by the said senior Justice and Militia 25 officers respectively, mentioning the names of the several inhabitant householders within each of the said Districts, shall be made, kept and preserved among the records and remembrances of the Corporation about to 30 be established.

V. And be it enacted, That the inhabi- Meetings of tant householders in each of the said Districts inhabitants of Districts Districts for shall meet at such time and place as shall be election of designated by an advertisement in writing, Councillors. 35 signed by such Justice of the Peace and Militia officers, and posted up at the most public place in each of the said two settlements, at least eight days before the day fixed for the election and then and there shall choose 40 a fit and proper person as Councillor to represent them in the said Corporation, and whose election shall be certified to the said Justice of the Peace as soon thereafter as may be, by any three of the householders 45 present at the election, of all which the

minutes and memoranda shall be kept among the records and remembrances of the said Corporation.

Councillors to remain in office two years, and may be reelected. VI. And be it enacted, That the persons so chosen, as above mentioned, Councillors, 5 shall form the Municipal Council or Corporation of the aforesaid Municipality of Ste. Anne des Monts, and shall have the management of the affairs of the said Municipality, and shall respectively remain in office two 10 years, and may again be elected as Councillors; and shall hold their first meeting at such time and place as the said senior Justice of the Peace shall fix for the purpose, giving previously due notice thereof in such 15 manner as he shall think most expedient, and at which first meeting the said senior Justice of the Peace shall preside.

Election of Mayor.

VII. And be it enacted, That the said Municipal Council shall at its first meeting 20 elect a Mayor, who shall remain in office during two years only, but may be re-elected; thereto if the said Municipal Council or Cor. poration see fit, and the said Council shall. have the power to make such rules and regu- 25 lations not being contrary or repugnant to the laws of the Province, for the election of Councillors at the expiration of the said term. of two years, and periodically thereafter for all time to come, and for the subsequent or 30 periodical meetings or sessions of the said Municipal Council or Corporation, as it may deem proper and contributive to its more perfect organization and adaptation to the progressive increase in population, improve-35 ment and other circumstances and exigencies of the Municipality represented by the said Municipal Council; and may appoint a Secretary and Treasurer to the said Council, and such other officer or officers as from time to 40. time the said Council shall see fit, with such: salary or allowances from the funds of the said Municipality as the said Council on Corporation shall see fit, in compensation of 45 their services respectively.

Appointment of Secretary and Treasurer.