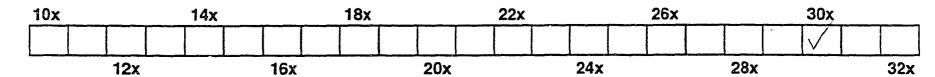
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Received and read a first time, Friday, 23rd May, 1851.

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TATHEREAS the increase of population and of trade Presuble. in the District of Gaspé may render it expedient that two terms of the "Superior Court," now by law required to sit but once a year in the said District should 5 hereafter be held annually therein, and it therefore is expedient to invest the Executive with power to that effect:—Be it therefore enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, on certain That whensoever and so soon as a second term, in addi-presentments and Petitions, 10 tion to the term of the "Superior Court," now by law the Governor held but once a year in the District of Gaspé, shall be the holding of by the inhabitants of the said District deemed conducive a second term and necessary to their general welfare, and presentments Court annualor petitions to that effect from a Grand Jury in each of ly in Gaspa. 15 the Counties of Gaspé and Bonaventure, requesting the

appointment of a second term of the said Superior Court in the aforesaid District, shall have been submitted to the Governor; it shall be lawful for His Excellency, if he shall see fit, in accordance therewith, to direct and 20 authorise, by proclamation, and in the manner provided in and by the seventy seventh section of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act 12 v. c. 3rd, "to amend the laws relative to the Courts of original cited. "civil jurisdiction in Lower Canada," (in respect to the

25 altering of the terms of the Courts by the article to which is prefixed the words "In the BAID DISTRICT OF GASPE," included in and making part of the said Section) a second term of the said Superior Court to be annually thereafter held in the said District, at the same places and for the like 30 periods or number of days as heretofore, and with the same powers and authority to the Judges holding the said term, to all legal intents and purposes as if appointed and constituted under the aforesaid last recited Act; but subject always to the modifications thereof as provided

35 in and by an Act of the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to amend the law relative to 12 Vict. c. 40, "the administration of justice in Gaspé," and to the cited. other provisions of this last mentioned Act.

II. Provided always and be it enacted, That to each Justice of the 40 of the presentments or petitions that may be submitted Peace to express their

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opinion as to on the subject from the aforesaid counties of Gaspé and the expedience Representative to the Governor the parent of signetures Bonaventure to the Governor, the names and signatures of the foreman and at least twelve of the Grand Jury making the presentment or petition to His Excellency be subscribed thereto, and that the opinion also of the justices of the peace or a majority of them, holding the General Sessions whereat such presentment or petition has been made be expressed upon the subject matter thereof in writing subscribed with their signatures and annexed to the presentment or petition for His Excel- 10 lency's consideration; and that without the opinion so expressed in writing of such justices of the peace, (whose duty, however, it shall be in forwarding to the Governor such presentment or petition to express their opinions thereupon, and to submit therewith such remarks 15 as may seem to them expedient, pointing out jointly or severally as they shall see fit, their views of the advantages or inconveniences that might accrue to the public from compliance with the suggestions or prayer of the petition, and the expedience or the reverse, as they may 20 view the matter, of complying therewith) no effect shall be given to the presentments or petitions submitted to the Executive on the subject: