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Clergy Reserves (Canada).

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To authorize the Legislature of the Province of Canada to make Provision concerning the Clergy Reserves in that Province, and the Proceeds thereof.

*(Prepared and brought in by
Mr. Peel, Lord John Russell, and Sir William
Molesworth.)*

*Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed,
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Authorize the Legislature of the Province of Canada to make Provision concerning the Clergy Reserves in that Province, and the Proceeds thereof.

WHEREAS the Act of the Session of Parliament holden in the Third and Fourth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Seventy-eight, provides for the Sale of the Lands called Clergy Reserves in the Province of Canada, and for the Distribution of the Proceeds thereof; and it is expedient that the Legislature of the said Province should be enabled to make further Provisions in relation to such Reserves and Proceeds: Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows :

Preamble.
3 & 4 Vict.
c. 78.

I. It shall be lawful for the Legislature of the Province of Canada, from Time to Time, by any Act or Acts to be for that Purpose made and enacted in the Manner and subject to the Conditions required by the Act of the said Session of Parliament holden in the Third and Fourth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Thirty-five, Sections Thirty-seven and Thirty-eight, in respect of Acts made and enacted by such Legislature, to vary or repeal all or any of the Provisions of the said

The Legislature of Canada may alter the Appropriation of the Clergy Reserves and the Proceeds thereof.

first-mentioned Act of Parliament for or concerning the Sale, Alienation, and Disposal of the said Clergy Reserves, and for or concerning the Investment of the Proceeds of all Sales then made or thereafter to be made of such Reserves, and for or concerning the Appropriation and Application of such Proceeds and Investments, the Interest and Dividends thereof, the Interest accruing on Sales on Credit of such Reserves, the Rent of such Reserves for the Time being unsold, and all other the Profits of or accruing from such Reserves, and (notwithstanding the said first-mentioned Act of Parliament) to make such other Provisions for or concerning the Sale, Alienation, or Disposal of the said Clergy Reserves and such Investments as aforesaid, and for or concerning the Appropriation and Application of such Clergy Reserves, Proceeds, Investments, Interest, Dividends, Rents, and Profits, as to the said Legislature may seem meet.

Saving of existing Interests.

II. Provided, That it shall not be lawful for the said Legislature, by any Act or Acts thereof as aforesaid, to annul, suspend, or reduce any of the annual Stipends or Allowances which have been already assigned and given to the Clergy of the Churches of England and Scotland, or to any other Religious Bodies or Denominations of Christians, in Canada, (and to which the Faith of the Crown is pledged,) during the natural Lives or Incumbencies of the Parties now receiving the same, or to appropriate or apply to any other Purposes such Part of the said Proceeds, Investments, Interest, Dividends, Rents, and Profits as may be required to provide for the Payment of such Stipends and Allowances during such Lives and Incumbencies.

Charge on the Consolidated Fund under 3 & 4 Vict. c. 78. repealed.

III. So much of the said Act of the Third and Fourth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Seventy-eight, as charges the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland with, or authorizes any Payment thereout of, the Sums needed to supply such Deficiency as in the said Act mentioned, shall from and after the passing of this Act be repealed.