



CHAPTER 27

An Act respecting the granting of titles to settlers for certain lots comprised in the Indian reserves, disappropriated.

[Assented to, the 1st of April, 1927]

WHEREAS in the suit before the Privy Council, of the Preamble.

Attorney-General for the Province of Quebec and others, appellants, and the Attorney-General for the Dominion of Canada and another, respondents, it was decided that the lands reserved for the use of certain Indian tribes, comprised within the boundaries of the Province of Quebec, which have been disappropriated from such use, belong in ownership to the said Province of Quebec;

Whereas the settlers, who hold, in good faith, under titles granted by the Governor of Canada, the Government of Canada or a minister of such Government, for agricultural purposes, lots taken from the lands so reserved, do not possess a valid title of ownership and are exposed to eviction and other inconveniences resulting from such defect in title;

Whereas it is in the public interest that such settlers should receive legal titles from the competent authority;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may recommend the gratuitous issuance of letters patent in favour of any settler who is the holder for agricultural purposes of one or more lots forming part of the Indian reserves disappropriated as such, when such holders have any title from the Governor of Canada, the Government of Canada or a minister of such Government, provided that any sum remaining due by the holders of such lots under the title

Gratuitous letters patent to certain settlers in disappropriated Indian reserves. Proviso

granted by the federal authority be paid to the Government of this Province.

Subject to same conditions, etc., contained in ordinary letters patent.

2. The letters patent issued in accordance with the preceding section shall be subject to the terms, conditions and restrictions contained in ordinary letters patent relating to the concession of lands suitable for cultivation, and shall in every other respect be governed by the laws applicable thereto.

Coming into force.

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.