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An Act to change the chief place and registry office of the county of Kamouraska and to establish them in the parish of St. Pascal.

[Assented to 24th March, 1911]

WHEREAS the council of the county of Kamouraska Preamble.
and Joseph Hudon, of the parish of St. Pascal, warden of the said county, and others, have, by their petition, represented :

That, on or about the third day of November, 1910, a petition signed by a great many influential inhabitants of the county of Kamouraska was presented to the council of the said county asking it to adopt such measures as might be necessary to change the chief place of the said county from the village of Kamouraska to the parish of St. Pascal ;

That for a long while previous to the present day a registry office has been established in the village of Kamouraska under article 2158 of the Civil Code ;

That, when the chief place was established there, the parish of St. Louis de Kamouraska was the natural civil centre of the said county, but that since the Intercolonial railway, providing more convenient and more rapid means of communication, has almost entirely supplanted navigation in that portion of the Province, its relative importance has greatly diminished while that of the parishes along the said railway, and especially of St. Pascal, has increased ;

That several new parishes have been founded to the south of those already in existence ; that the population of that part of the county has rapidly increased and the parish of St. Pascal has become the natural and commercial centre of the whole county, so much so that for many years the immense majority of the population of the county have, in order to reach the present chief place, to pass first by St. Pascal and go thence to the village of Kamouraska, a distance of several miles, by vehicles over roads which are often bad and sometimes even impassable during winter storms and spring freshets, which entails serious consequences and, above all, loss of valuable time ;

That this causes expense to the population and loss of time in the administration of the county's affairs which would be avoided by establishing the chief place at St. Pascal ;

That, in the very near future, the National Transcontinental Railway, now under construction, will run through the upper part of the county of Kamouraska and consequently much nearer St. Pascal, which is inland, than the present chief place on the shore of the St. Lawrence ;

That, in an equally near future, the construction of that railway will contribute to the opening of new parishes which, owing to distance and means of communication, will be much more interested in the chief place and registry office being not at St. Louis de Kamouraska, but at St. Pascal, a most central parish where much business is done ;

That the council of the said county, on the 29th December 1910, adopted a resolution to apply at once to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec and ask it to pass an act to change the chief place and registry office of the county of Kamouraska and to establish them in the parish of St. Pascal and, that it is really in the public interest of the county of Kamouraska that such be effected ;

Whereas the said petitioners have prayed that an act be passed to effect such change and it is expedient to grant their prayer ;

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

Chief place
of county of
Kamour-
aska.

1. From the day fixed in the proclamation mentioned in section 2 of this act, the chief place of the county of Kamouraska shall be removed from the village of Kamouraska and established at St. Pascal.

Proclama-
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county of
Kamou-
raska.

2. As soon as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall have ascertained that the council of the county of Kamouraska has provided, in the parish of St. Pascal, a suitable apartment for a registry office, with a metal safe or a fire proof vault for keeping the books, papers and deeds of the office, he may declare in a proclamation to be published in the *Quebec Official Gazette*, that the registry office for the county of Kamouraska shall, from and after the date he shall fix, be transferred to the parish of St. Pascal and, from and after the date so fixed in the said proclamation, the registry office for the county of Kamouraska shall no longer be in the village of Kamouraska, but shall be opened and kept in the parish of St. Pascal.

R. S. Q., 74,
am.

3. Article 74 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, and the tables annexed thereto are amended accordingly.

Removal of
registry
books, &c.

4. Before the opening of the registry office in the parish of St. Paschal it shall be the duty of the registrar or his assistant under a penalty of five hundred dollars, to have the books, registers, plans, documents and other effects removed within such delay as shall be determined by the Attorney-General in a notice addressed to him for this purpose. The costs neces-

sitated by this removal shall be paid by the corporation of the parish of St. Pascal and those of this act shall be paid by the corporation of the county of Kamouraska.

5. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. **Coming into force.**

CHAP. 10

An Act to establish a new registration division at Saint-Benoit-Joseph-Labre d'Amqui and to divide the county of Matane into two divisions for municipal and registration purposes.

[Assented to 24th March, 1911]

WHEREAS, Léopold Doran, merchant ; Louis Philippe **Preamble.**

Turgeon, trader ; Joseph Alfred Desbiens, merchant ; Alphonse Poirier, trader, all of Amqui and V. O. Morissette, farmer, mayor of Causapschal, have, by their petition, represented :

That, owing to the great development and increase of population and business in that portion of the county of Matane known as the Matapedia Valley, it has become urgent to establish a new division for municipal and registration purposes with the chief place at St. Benoit-Joseph-Labre d'Amqui ;

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

1. From and after the day to be fixed in the proclamation mentioned in section 3, the county of Matane shall be divided into two registration divisions, and, after the 1st August, 1911, into two separate county municipalities. **Division of Matane into two registration divisions.**

2. From and after the day fixed by the proclamation mentioned in section 3, the provisions contained in the following annex are enacted, amended or repealed as therein set forth : **Amendments, &c.**

ANNEX

a. Paragraph 2 of article 63 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, R. S. Q., 63, by replacing the word "seventy-five", in the first line, by ^{am.} the word "seventy-six,"

b. Article 74 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, by replacing ^{Id.} 74, ^{am.} the word "seventy-five" in the first line by the word "seventy-six."