

CAP. V.

An Act to detach the parishes of Saint Michel des Saints, Saint Gabriel de Brandon, Saint Damien, and the unorganized territories in the county of Berthier, from the district of Richelieu, and to annex them to the district of Joliette, for judicial purposes.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

WHEREAS the electors of the parishes of Saint Michel des Saints, Saint Gabriel de Brandon and Saint Damien, in the county of Berthier, have, by petition, prayed that the said parishes and the unorganized territories in the said county be detached from the district of Richelieu and annexed to the district of Joliette for judicial purposes, for the following reasons:—

Because, being at a distance from the *chef-lieu* of the county, the inhabitants of the said parishes and territories, travelling by railway, pass by the town of Joliette to reach Berthier, and thence, to reach Sorel, the *chef-lieu* of the district, they are obliged to cross the river Saint Lawrence, which is very dangerous in the fall and spring, at the ordinary time of holding trials before the courts; whilst going to Joliette, they may travel at a cheaper rate, in less time, with more certainty and more conveniently at all times of the year;

Whereas, for the above mentioned reasons, it is advisable to accede to the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The parishes of Saint Michel des Saints, Saint Gabriel de Brandon, Saint Damien and the unorganized territories of the county of Berthier are hereby detached from the district of Richelieu and annexed to the district of Joliette for judicial purposes.

Certain parishes, &c., detached from district of Richelieu and annexed to Joliette.

2. Article 70 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended by adding:

R. S. Q. art. 70 amended.

1. To number 8 of the table of the said article the words "and also the parishes of Saint Michel des Saints, Saint Gabriel de Brandon, Saint Damien and the unorganized territories of the county of Berthier"; and

Certain parishes, &c., added.

2. To number 14 of the said table, after the word "Berthier," the words "less the parishes of Saint Michel des Saints, Saint Gabriel de Brandon, Saint Damien and the unorganized territories of the said county".

Certain parishes, &c., taken away.

3. This act shall not affect pending cases and shall come into force by proclamation, which shall issue only

Pending cases not affected, and coming into force.

after a resolution of the county council of the county of Berthier to that effect shall have been transmitted to the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province.

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An Act to amend the act 52 Victoria, chapter 4.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

R. S. Q., art. 167, § 16, replaced.

1. Paragraph 16 of article 167 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, as added thereto by section 1 of chapter 4 of the act 52 Victoria, is replaced by the following:

Student defined.

" 16. The word "student" means the son who, being within the above prescribed conditions and within those of the 9th paragraph of article 173, is absent from his father's or mother's house, with their consent, with a view of studying some profession."

R. S. Q., art. 173, amended.

2. The last three clauses of article 173 of the said Revised Statutes, as replaced by section 3 of chapter 4 of the act 52 Victoria, are replaced by the two following paragraphs:

Rights of farmer's sons when exercised.

" 8th. Farmer's sons exercise the above rights, even if the father or mother be tenants or occupants only of the farm;

They exercise them in the same manner as if they were the sons of owners of real property, with this difference, that it is the annual value of the farm which is the basis of the electoral franchise, as in the case, *mutatis mutandis*, of the 1st and 2nd paragraphs of this article.

Temporary absence.

" 9th. Temporary absence from the farm or establishment of his father or mother, during six months of the year in all, or absence as a "student" shall not deprive the son of the exercise of the electoral franchise above conferred."

Declaratory clause respecting 53 V., c. 7, an act of this session.

3. The act passed during the present session intituled: "An Act to provide for the immediate operation of the Act of this Province, 52 Vict., chap. 4, intituled: 'An Act to amend the Quebec Election Act, by extending the franchise and to amend the Municipal Code respecting the preparation of the valuation roll,'" (*) shall be carried

(*) See next chapter of these statutes.