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An Act for continuing the Legislature of Quebec in case of the demise of the Crown.

[Assented to, 5th April, 1869.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the welfare of this province might be exposed to great dangers if the legislature of Quebec should be dissolved by the demise of our sovereign lady Queen Victoria (whom God long preserve), or by the demise of any of her majesty's heirs and successors: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Legislature not dissolved by demise of the Crown.

1. No legislature, heretofore or hereafter summoned, or called, in and for the province of Quebec, shall determine or be dissolved by the demise of the crown, but such legislature shall continue, and may meet, convene and sit, proceed and act, notwithstanding such demise of the crown, in the same manner as if such demise had not happened.

Power to prorogue or dissolve not affected.

2. Nothing in the next preceding section shall alter or abridge the power of the crown to prorogue or dissolve the said legislature.

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An Act to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses, in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature.

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

Committees may examine witnesses under oath.

1. Any committee of the legislative council or of the legislative assembly of the province of Quebec, sitting in the exercise of its functions may examine witnesses upon oath, upon matters relating to the business then before it, and for that purpose the chairman, or any member of such committee, may administer an oath, in the form A hereto annexed, to any such witness.

FORM A.

FORM OF OATH TO BE ADMINISTERED.

The evidence you shall give to the committee, touching (*here state the matter then before the committee*), shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. So help you God.

