

Provincial Court of Gaspé to have Jurisdiction to a certain amount.

take cognizance of, and have power to hear, try and determine without evocation, during the terms, and in the manner mentioned in the said Act passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, " An Act to extend the provisions " of a certain Act therein-mentioned, as far as the same relates to the Judicature " in the Inferior District of Gaspé, and more effectually to provide for the due " administration of Justice in the said District," every suit or action, real, personal or mixed, including the cases where the King is a party, (those purely of Admiralty Jurisdiction excepted) wherein the amount claimed, or matter in dispute or thing demanded, may not exceed the sum or value of one hundred pounds currency, any Law or Statute heretofore in force in this Province to the contrary notwithstanding.

An appeal to lie in certain cases to the Court of King's Bench at Quebec.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that in all cases or actions, real or mixed, and in all cases or actions relating to any fee of office, duty, rent, revenue or any sum or sums of money payable to His Majesty, annual rents or such like matters or things, where the rights in future may be bound, whether the amount claimed or matter in contestation or thing demanded, be more or less than the sum of twenty pounds currency, an appeal shall lie to His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the District of Quebec, which appeal shall be prosecuted in the manner as provided in and by the above recited Act, passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, with respect to suits or actions purely personal.

Continuance of this Act.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this act shall be and remain in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six and no longer.

C A P. VIII.

AN Act to explain an Act passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, Chapter Fourth, relating to the Returning Officers' duty and to the Elections of Members to serve in the House of Assembly of this Province.

(9th March, 1824.)

Preamble,

**W**HEREAS it is expedient to explain and amend certain parts of an Act passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, " An Act to amend certain parts of an Act passed in the forty-seventh year of the Reign of

of His late Majesty, intituled, “ An Act to provide Returning Officers for the Elections of Knights, Citizens and Burgesses to serve in the House of Assembly, and to regulate Elections to be held for that purpose, and more effectually to prevent illegal practices in the Elections of Members to serve in the said Assembly, and for further securing the freedom of such Elections ;”—Be it therefore enacted by the King’s Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, “ An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty’s Reign, intituled, “ *An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North-America,*” and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province ;”—And it is hereby declared and enacted by the authority of the same, that the entries to be made in the Poll Book by the Returning Officer, at every election of any Member or Members to serve in the House of Assembly for this Province, as specified in the first clause or section of the aforesaid Act, passed in the second year of His Majesty’s Reign, intituled, “ An Act to amend certain parts of an Act passed in the forty-seventh year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled, “ An Act to provide Returning Officers for the Elections of Knights, Citizens and Burgesses to serve in the House of Assembly, and to regulate Elections to be held for that purpose ;” and more effectually to prevent illegal practices in the Elections of Members to serve in the said Assembly, and for further securing the freedom of such Elections ;” shall be made in a Poll-Book according to the form to this Act annexed, marked A, and it shall be the duty of such Returning-Officer, when any voter is sworn, to enter in the said Poll-Book, the place of abode of such Voter and the specification of his property, in the words used by such Voter, in describing his place of abode and in stating the specification of his property or qualification in the oath or oaths then administered to such Voter, in conformity to the said Act ; and to specify, in the said Poll-Book, the nature of the oath or oaths taken by such Voter, by merely inserting therein its or their number, corresponding with the number of such oath in the Schedules of the Act hereinbefore-mentioned, as the case may require ; and the Returning Officer shall, in every respect comply with the form prescribed for the said Poll-Book, and above-mentioned.

Entries on Poll  
Book how to be  
made.

Copies of this  
Act to be sent to  
the Returning  
Officers, with the  
Writs.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that a sufficient number of copies of this Act shall be printed separately, and one copy thereof shall

shall be forwarded to every Returning Officer, who shall hereafter be named for any ensuing General or Special Election, together with the Writ of Election that shall be addressed to him.

Continuance of  
this Act.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall remain in force until the first day of May one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and no longer.

A.—Form of a Poll Book according to the Acts 47th George III, Chapter 16, and 2d George IV, Chapter 4.

Names of the Voters.	Addition, trade or profession.	Qualification and where situated.	Names of the occupier if the Voter is not in possession.	If objected to and by whom.	A.B. Candidate	C.D. Candidate	E.F. Candidate	Entries to be made if the Voters have been sworn.					Signature of the Returning Officer, opposite the name of the Voter who has made oath.	
								Place of his abode in the Terms used by the Voter in the oath.	Description of his property or qualification in the terms used by the Voter in the Oath.	Nature of the oath administered to the Voter according to the Schedule in the Act 2d Geo. IV, Cap. 4.				
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### CAP. IX.

AN ACT to amend an Act passed in the third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act further to regulate persons who keep Houses of "Public Entertainment, and retail Spirituous Liquors, and for other "purposes."

(9th March, 1824.)

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS it is expedient to amend an Act passed in the third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act further to regulate persons "who keep Houses of Public Entertainment, and retail Spirituous Liquors, and "for other purposes;" Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled,