

Not to prevent any creditor from obtaining a *Capias ad Respondendum* against any absconding debtor, or from a legal recourse against his estate and effects.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to prevent any creditor from obtaining a *Capias ad Respondendum*, according to Law, against any absconding debtor or from any other legal recourse, to which, in Commercial matters and other cases, he may be entitled against the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of any Septuagenary Debtor, the intent of this Act being solely to exempt persons, on attaining the seventieth year of their age, from imprisonment for debt as aforesaid, by *Capias ad Satisfaciendum*, (in case the Defendant shall make application to this effect to any two Judges of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, in Term or in Vacation, who on *bonâ fide* proof to their satisfaction, that the Defendant has attained the seventieth year of his age, shall cause the Defendant forthwith to be enlarged) without altering in any other respect any legal right or recourse to which the Creditor may be entitled upon the estate and effects, real and personal, of the debtor.

### C A P. XX.

AN ACT declaratory to explain the provisions of an Act passed in the fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, chapter thirty-one, relating to Elementary Schools in this Province.

(7th March, 1827.)

Preamble.

Fabriques acquiring under the Act 1th Geo. IV. cap. 31st. any Land not exceeding one superficial acre, with a House thereon erected and

**W**HEREAS it is expedient to explain an Act passed in the fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, Chapter thirty-one: 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 in all cases where any *Fabrique* in this Province hereafter shall acquire, whether by Donation, Legacy or purchase, any Land or Tenement not exceeding in the whole one superficial acre in extent, upon which there may be a House or Edifice fit and proper for the purpose of a School, under an Act passed in the fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to facilitate the Establishment

proper for the purpose of a School, may hold and retain the same, though exceeding in value the annual income of £50.

ishment and Endowment of Elementary Schools in the parishes in this Province, such *Fabrique* may hold and retain the said Land and Tenement with the House or Edifice thereon erected and being although, such house or edifice may exceed in value the annual income of fifty pounds, currency.

## C A P. XXI.

AN ACT to authorize Eustache Nicolas Lambert Dumont, Esquire, to build a Toll Bridge over the River *Jésus*, opposite the Village of Saint Eustache.

(7th March, 1827.)

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS the erection of a Bridge over the River *Jésus*, opposite the Village of Saint Eustache would materially contribute to the convenience of the inhabitants of the adjacent parishes ; and whereas Eustache Nicolas Lambert Dumont, Esquire, hath by his petition in this behalf, prayed for leave to build a Toll Bridge over the said River *Jésus*, at the aforesaid place : Therefore may it please Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it 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 enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for the said Eustache Nicolas Lambert Dumont, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, at his own costs and charges, to erect and build a good and substantial bridge over the said river *Jésus*, opposite the village of Saint Eustache, and to erect and build a Toll-house and Turnpike with other dependencies on or near the said Bridge, and also to do, perform and execute all other matters and things requisite and necessary, useful or convenient, for erecting and building, maintaining and supporting the said intended Bridge, Toll-house, Turnpike and other dependencies, according to the tenor and true meaning of this Act.

E. N. L. Dumont authorized to erect a toll bridge over the river *Jésus*.

And to use the land on either side of the river *Jésus*,

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that for the purpose of erecting, building, maintaining or supporting the said Bridge, the said Eustache