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Licences shall so have had the seal affixed thereto, the same shall be delivered to the Secretary or person executing the duties of Secretary of the Province by the person who shall have affixed the seal, taking receipts in duplicate for the number delivered, one of which receipts shall be lodged with the Inspector-General of Public Provincial Accounts.

C A P. VI.

AN ACT for more effectually preventing trivial and vexatious Law-Suits, and for restricting the Costs thereupon.

(7th March, 1827.)

Preamble.

Costs of suit
limited in cer-
tain cases.

WHEREAS it is expedient, for the prevention of trivial and vexatious Suits at Law, in Actions for personal wrongs to be compensated in damages, whereby divers of His Majesty's subjects are oftentimes put to great inconvenience and expense, to make provision with respect to Costs, and in certain cases to limit the same: 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 enacted by the authority of the same, that in all such Actions, the Plaintiff, in case the Court or Jury shall find the damages to be under the value of forty shillings sterling, shall not recover or obtain more costs of suit than the damages so found shall amount to.

C A P. VII.

AN ACT for affording relief, during a limited time, to Insolvent Debtors.

(7th March, 1827.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to afford relief to a limited extent from arrest under Writs of *Capias ad satisfaciendum* to Insolvent Debtors; Be it therefore

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 enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act, any person that now is or hereafter shall be arrested and detained in virtue of any Writ of *Capias ad satisfaciendum*, shall on giving good and sufficient security to the satisfaction of any Justice of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench or Provincial Court for the District, that he will not depart from, nor exceed the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village where the prison is situate, to which he is or might be committed and imprisoned in virtue of such *Capias*, be entitled to his liberty, and to go at large within the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village. And the condition of every recognizance in this behalf shall be, that the Cognizors shall not become liable, unless the Defendant shall depart from or exceed the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village, without having paid the debt, interest and costs for which the Action shall have been brought.

Any person arrested and detained in virtue of a Writ of *Capias ad satisfaciendum*, on giving security that he will not depart from nor exceed certain limits, shall be entitled to his liberty & to go at large within the same.

Not to affect the right of the Bail to take and surrender the Defendant in discharge of themselves.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing herein contained shall be construed or taken in any manner to affect the right of the Bail to take and surrender the Defendant in discharge of themselves.

Duration 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 thirty-two, and no longer.

C A P. VIII.

AN ACT to facilitate the proceedings at Law in certain cases therein-mentioned, relating to Writs of *Capias* and Attachment.

(7th March, 1827.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to facilitate the recourse of Creditors against fraudulent and absconding Debtors:—Be it therefore enacted by the King's