

Application
of the monies
to be account-
ed for to his
Majesty.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies expended by virtue of this Act shall be accounted for to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury in such manner and form as His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors shall direct.

C A P. XXV.

An Act for the relief of the Poor, in the Loan of Wheat and other Seed Corn.

(14th March, 1829.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS many Farmers; distressed by the short harvest of the last year, have consumed for their support during the present year, what was necessary for their next seed; and such as are able to spare seed for their supplies may not be willing to trust it to the poorer inhabitants, without indisputable security for the payment thereof, at the next ensuing harvest, in tenderness therefore to the distressed; 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 of 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 the debt to be created by any contract or agreement which shall after the passing of this Act and before the twenty-fifth day of June next, be *bonâ fide* made in writing for supplies of wheat, peas, oats or any other seed corn or potatoes, in the presence of a Notary Public, or one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or a Curate of any Parish or a Captain of the Militia and one other credible witness, for any quantity of seed corn, not exceeding forty minots of wheat, and thirty minots of other grain and twenty minots of potatoes to any one buyer or borrower shall in all courts, be deemed and adjudged to be a privileged debt, with a benefit of preference to the vendor or lender before any other Creditor, for any demand of any kind whatsoever, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding; saving nevertheless to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, all the rights of the

Crown.

Contracts
and agree-
ments after the
passing of this
Act to 25 June
for the sup-
plies of wheat
&c. deemed a
privileged
debt.

Saving of the
King's rights.

Crown with its dues and demands, as fully and effectually as if this Act had never been made.

The privilege not to extend beyond two years from 1st. of June next.

II. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the privilege created by this Act shall not in any case extend nor be construed to extend to any period beyond two years from and after the first day of June next,

C A P. XXVI.

AN ACT to prevent the Fraudulent Seizure and Sale of Lands, and other real property within this Province.

(14th March, 1829.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS great frauds have been and hereafter may be committed with respect to lands and tenements or other real property, situate in the Townships in this Province, by evil designed persons, who, for the purpose of defeating the title of the lawful owner or proprietor of such lands and tenements or other real property, fraudulently cause the same to be seized in execution and sold at Sheriff's sale, without any lawful right so to do, for remedy whereof; 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 if any person or persons, from and after the passing of this Act, shall knowingly, willfully and maliciously cause or procure to be seized and taken in execution any lands and tenements, or other real property situate within any Township or Townships erected, or to be hereafter erected in this Province, not being at the time of such seizure the *boná fide* property of the person or persons against whom or whose

Penalty on persons seizing lands &c. in any Township in this Province, not being the property of the person against whom the execution may have been issued.