

jesty, and shall be paid into the hands of the Receiver-General, and shall await the disposal of the Provincial Legislature for the public uses of this Province.

If there be no goods to satisfy the penalty, of, fender may be committed to Prison.

V. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if goods and chattels shall not be found belonging to such offender, sufficient to satisfy the penalty, costs and charges as aforesaid, then and in that case it shall be lawful for such Justices of the Peace to commit such offender to the common Gaol of the District of Quebec, there to be confined for a space of time which shall not be less than one month, nor more than six months.

Application of the money to be accounted for, to His Majesty.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of all monies levied 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 for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, his heirs and successors shall be pleased to direct.

Continuance of this Act.

VII. 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-three, and no longer.

C A P. V.

AN ACT to ascertain the rate at which certain Coins therein mentioned shall pass current in this Province, and for other purposes.

[March 26th, 1830.]

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish and ascertain by Law the rates at which certain Coins shall hereafter pass current in this Province, and to prohibit the circulation of certain notes and other negotiable securities; may it therefore 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*
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“ 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, the Silver Coins commonly known by the name of Pistareens, shall pass current at the rate of Tenpence currency each, and no more, and the silver coins commonly known by the name of half Pistareens or sixpences, shall pass current at the rate of Fivepence currency each, and no more, any law, usage, or custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

The rate at which Pistareens or half Pistareens shall pass current.

Three months from the passing of this Act, no Bank Note or other note under the value of 5 dollars except notes of incorporated Banks shall be offered or given in payment.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that after the expiration of three months from and after the passing of this Act, no Bank Note or other Note whatsoever made payable to “ Bearer,” nor any Note under the nominal value of Five Dollars, issued by any Bank or Joint Stock Company, or persons trading as Bankers, save and except only such Bank Notes as may be issued by any Bank incorporated by law in this Province, shall be offered or given in payment, on pain of forfeiting the nominal amount of such Note, which amount shall be recovered on information and conviction in any Court of competent jurisdiction in this Province.

C A P. VI.

AN ACT to continue for a limited time and to amend a certain Act passed in the first year of His Majesty’s Reign, intituled, “ An Act to incorporate certain persons therein mentioned, under the name of the “ President, Directors and Company of the Bank of Montreal.”

(26th March, 1830.)

Preamble.

Act 1, Geo. 4, cap. 25, continued and amended.

WHEREAS certain Merchants, and other persons being Inhabitants of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, as well as certain Stockholders in the Bank of Montreal, have, by their humble Petition in this behalf, prayed, that a certain Act passed in the first year of His Majesty’s Reign, intituled, “ An Act for incorporating certain persons therein named, under the name of “ President, Directors and Company of the Bank of Montreal,” be further continued for a limited time, and certain amendments made therein, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition : 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

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