

General, shall be and the same is hereby placed at the disposal of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the Government, to enable him to defray the expence of repairing the said Castle of Saint Lewis, in the City of Quebec, and the said building commonly called the Government House, in the City of Montreal, in such manner as shall by him be deemed most expedient.

Persons having the expenditure of the money hereby granted, to give in their accounts.

II. And be it further enacted, that every person to whom shall be entrusted the expenditure of any portion of the monies hereby appropriated, shall make up detailed accounts of such expenditure, showing the sum advanced to the accountant, the sum actually expended, the balance (if any,) remaining in his hands, and the amount of the monies hereby appropriated to the purpose for which such advance shall have been made, remaining unexpended in the hands of the Receiver General, and that every such account shall be supported by Vouchers therein distinctly referred to by numbers corresponding to the numbering of the Items in such account, and shall be made up to and closed on the tenth day of April and tenth day of October in each year, during which such expenditure shall be made and shall be attested before a Justice of the Court of King's Bench or a Justice of the Peace, and shall be transmitted to the Officer whose duty it shall be to receive such account, within fifteen days next after the expiration of the said periods respectively.

Application of the monies to be accounted for to His Majesty, & a detailed account to be laid before the legislature.

III. And be it further enacted, that the due application of the monies appropriated by 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 direct, and that a detailed account of the expenditure of all such monies shall be laid before the several branches of the Provincial Legislature, within the first fifteen days of the next Session thereof.

### C A P. XXXVIII.

AN Act for preserving, for the purposes of Husbandry, the Grass growing on Beaches, in the District of Quebec.

[31st March, 1831.]

Preamble. I

**W**HEREAS it is necessary to make provision for preventing the destruction of the Grass growing on the Beaches and Strands of the River Saint Lawrence, between high and low water marks, below the City of Quebec, which Grass, in many places sufficiently abundant to afford supplies of Grass useful for the maintenance of cattle and other live stock during the winter, is nevertheless for the

the most part rendered useless and lost, by suffering cattle to run at large, trampling and grazing upon 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 the proprietors of the land bordering on the South side of the said River, below the City of Quebec, shall be entitled to cut and cure the grass on the beaches or strands thereof, between high and low water marks, in the front of their respective lots of land and farms, to the exclusion of all other persons; and an action of trespass may be maintained by the party aggrieved against, any and every person offending by cutting any grass hereby reserved to him or them as aforesaid, and contravening to the prejudice of such party or person: Provided always, that in all cases of difficulty which may arise, the quiet and public possession as had before the passing of this Act, shall avail and be maintained; and provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit the right of fishing on the beaches as heretofore established and exercised.

Proprietors of Land bordering on the South side of the River Saint Lawrence, below the City of Quebec, may cut and cure the Grass on the Beaches and Strands thereof.

Proviso.

Persons not to allow live stock to stray and run at large between high and low water marks in the summer and autumn, under a penalty.

Proviso.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall not be lawful for any person to suffer live stock of any description to stray or run at large between high and low water marks in the summer or autumn, on any of the said beaches or strands of the River Saint Lawrence, under the penalty of two shillings and six-pence currency, for every animal so allowed to stray or run at large as aforesaid, which penalty shall be recovered from the possessor or owner of such cattle, and in case such possessor or owner shall not be known, the cattle or animals so straying or running at large may be confined by any person whatsoever, until the same shall be claimed by the owner or possessor, who shall pay to the person so detaining or confining the same a reasonable price for the keeping thereof, which price in case the owner or possessor refuses to pay, shall be levied in the manner provided for the penalties imposed and to be levied by virtue of this Act; Provided nevertheless, that all persons seizing and detaining any cattle found straying, shall give notice thereof, at the Church door of the nearest Parish, on a Sunday or other Holiday, after Divine Service in the forenoon, and if the said cattle be not claimed, and such expences paid within eight days after such notice, then the said cattle may be sold by order of any Justice of the Peace, and the price after deducting such expences, and those of the notice, shall remain in the hands of such Justice of the Peace, for the owners of such cattle when known.

III.

Saving of the rights of His Majesty and of bodies politic, &c.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained shall in any wise affect the rights of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, or of any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, in any such beach or strand of the said River Saint Lawrence.

Proprietors not to inclose or imbank the said Beaches and Strands.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to give to the Proprietors of the Banks of the said River, any right or title whatsoever to inclose or imbank by Fences or otherwise, the said Beaches and strands, or in any manner to impede the free and open liberty of Navigation and Commerce over the said River; to all His Majesty's subjects, or to deprive any person of the free use of the beaches of the said River Saint Lawrence, as by the laws heretofore provided and in force, it is enacted and ordained.

Penalty, how recoverable.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the penalty by this Act imposed, shall be recoverable in a summary way, before any Justice of the Peace, upon the evidence on oath, of any one credible witness, other than the informer, and be levied by seizure and sale of the goods and chattles of the offender, (returning to the said offender the overplus if any, after deducting the costs of suit, seizure and sale,) by virtue of a warrant under the hand of the Justice before whom the conviction shall have taken place.

How the fines and penalties are to be divided.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that one moiety of the fines and penalties levied under this Act, shall go to the informer, and the other moiety to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and shall remain at the future disposal of the Provincial Parliament, for the Public uses of this Province, and that the due application of the monies arising therefrom 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 in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, and no longer.

## C A P. XXXIX.

AN Act to extend to the Inhabitants of the Indian Reservation of Saint Regis and Dundee, the rights, privileges, and advantages enjoyed by the other inhabitants of this Province.

(31st. March, 1831.)

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS doubts have arisen whether certain Acts passed by the Provincial Parliament, for the benefit of the inhabitants of the several Townships of this Province, extend to the inhabitants of the "Indian Reservation of Saint Regis and Dundee," and it is expedient to remove the inconvenience arising from the existence of such doubts:—Be it therefore declared and 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 tract of Land heretofore known by the name of the Indian Reservation of Saint Regis and Dundee, "or the Indian Lands,"—that is to say, all that tract of country included between Lake Saint Francis, the Province Line, and the Township of Godmanchester, in the District of Montreal, shall be hereafter known and designated by the name of "the Township of Dundee," and that all the benefits and advantages conferred by the Laws of this Province on the inhabitants of the Townships therein, as to the appointment of Commissioners for the summary trial of certain small causes, and of Justices of the Peace, the benefit of the Acts passed for the encouragement of education, and of all other Acts of a similar nature, and generally all the civil rights, privileges and advantages, enjoyed by the inhabitants of the Townships of this Province, as such do extend to and they are hereby declared to extend to and shall be enjoyed by the inhabitants of the said Township of Dundee.

All the benefits and advantages conferred by the laws of this Province, extended to the inhabitants of the Township of Dundee.