

Manner by which Members may resign in the interval between two Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any Member shall wish so to resign in the interval between two Sessions of the Provincial Parliament, it shall be lawful for him so to do, by addressing and causing to be delivered to the Speaker a declaration to that effect, made and passed before two Notaries Public, or one Notary and two Witnesses, an entry of which Declaration shall be made in the Journal of the proceedings on the first day of the Session of the Provincial Parliament then next ensuing, and that it shall be lawful for the Speaker upon receiving such Declaration, forthwith to issue his Warrant for the Election of a Member in the room of the Member so tendering his resignation.

No Member to ask for leave to vacate his seat in the first Session of any Parliament, before a certain time.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no Member shall ask for leave to vacate his Seat in the first Session of any Parliament, before the expiration of the first fifteen days of the said Session, and that no Member whose election shall be contested shall so vacate his Seat until after such contestation shall have been decided.

C A P. XLIII.

AN Act to relieve the United Company of Merchants of England, trading to the East Indies, from the payment of the duties on certain Teas, exported from this Province to Halifax, in Nova-Scotia.

[31st. March, 1831.]

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Agents of the "United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies," have by their Petition to the Legislature represented that the said Company did in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, import into this Province, a larger quantity of Black Teas than would have been required for the consumption of this Province, and of the Province of Upper-Canada, for many years to come, and that five hundred and fifty-three Chests of Congou Tea, (being part of the quantity so imported in the said year,) were therefore exported from the Port of Quebec, to the Port of Halifax, in the Province of Nova-Scotia; and that because no Legislative Provision had been made with respect to the mode of proceeding in such cases, a Bond for the payment of the duties on the said Teas, to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, payable to the Collector of the Customs for the time being, at the Port of Quebec, was exacted from the said Agents under the authority of an Act passed in the fifty-fifth year of

of the Reign of His Majesty, King George the Third, intituled, "An Act to grant new duties to His Majesty, to supply the wants of the Province," although by law no duty would have been payable on the said Teas, until they had been sold within this Province, by Public Sale, and have therefore prayed that the said Bond may be cancelled, or if paid before this Act has taken effect, that the sum paid under the conditions of the said Bond may be re-imbursed to them; and whereas it is just and right that the prayer of the said Petition should be granted under certain provisions;—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 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 whenever a regular certificate of the actual landing of the said five hundred and fifty-three Chests of Congou Tea, at the Port of Halifax, in the Province of Nova-Scotia, shall be produced to the Collector of the Customs at Quebec, the said Bond given by the said Agents for the payment of the duties on the said Teas shall be *ipso facto* cancelled, and shall be utterly void and of no effect; Provided always, that if the duties mentioned in the said Bond shall have been paid to the Collector of the Customs at Quebec before this Act shall have taken effect,—then upon the production of such certificate to the said Collector of the Customs it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government, to authorize by warrant under his hand, the payment to the said Agents, out of any unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General, of a sum of money equal to the sum by them paid as aforesaid, under the conditions of the said Bond.

When a certificate respecting the landing of a certain amount of Tea at the Port of Halifax, shall have been produced. Bond given by the Agents of the East India Company for the payment of the duties to be cancelled.

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

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of such sum of money as may be expended under the authority 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.

C A P. XLIV.

AN Act to appropriate a sum of money for the payment of certain Militia Officers, and contingent expences of the Militia, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

[31st. March, 1831.]

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

Certain sums of money granted for the Militia.

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for the expenses of the Militia of this Province, for the present year, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one;—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 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 Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government, by warrant or warrants under his hand, to order that out of the unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General of this Province, or which may hereafter come into his hands, there be paid the sums hereinafter mentioned, to the Officers of Militia also hereinafter mentioned, and for certain contingent expences of the Militia for the present year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one; the said year ending as to Salaries on the first of October, and as to Contingencies on the tenth of the same month, that is to say:—For the salary of the Adjutant-General of Militia, three hundred and thirty-seven pounds, ten shillings, sterling:—For the salary of the Deputy Adjutant-General of Militia, two hundred and two pounds ten shillings, sterling:—For the salary of the Provincial Aide-de-Camp, two hundred and seventy pounds, sterling:—For the salary of the Clerk in the office of the Adjutant-General of Militia, ninety-two pounds seven shillings and two-pence, sterling:—For the salary of the Messenger in the office of the Adjutant-General of Militia, forty-five pounds three shillings and four-pence, sterling:—For the stationary, printing, and postage of the Department of the Adjutant-General of Militia, two hundred and fifty pounds sterling.

Persons entrusted with the expenditure of the money to make up detailed accounts.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, 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, shewing the sum advanced