A P. VI.

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An ACT for continuing the feveral Acts for raising a Fund for the Purpose of making and repairing 13. Got 3. cap. 3.

Bridges and Poods of Community and repairing 13. Got 3. cap. 3. Bridges and Roads of Communication thro' the Province.

E it Enasted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and B affembly, That an Act made in the 12th Year of his prefent Majesty's Reign intitled, An Act for railing a fund For the Purpose of making and repairing Bridges and Roads of Communication thro' the Province, and an Act made in the 13th Year of his faid Majesty's Reign for amending and continuing the faid Act, shall be and continue, and the same are hereby continued in Force from the Expiration thereof until the 31st Day of December, 1780.

Continuance of Acts 12. Geo. 3. cap. 3. 13. Geo. 3. cap. 3.

II. And be it also Enacted, That from and after the First Day of January, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight, and during the Continuance of this Act, there shall be yearly raised, levied, collected and paid by every Householder and Owners or Occupiers of Lands in this Province, by and under the Limitations, Provisoes, Pains, and Penalties, and for the Purposes prescribed, directed and mentioned in, and by the faid above recited Act, the like Rates and Taxes as are imposed by the faid Act.

From 1st January, 1778, the like Rates to be paid as directed by Act 12 Geo. 3. cap. 3.

A P VII.

An Act for the more effectually securing Prisoners committed for Crimes against his Majesty and Government, and for the Tryal of fuch offenders.

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*** HEREAS several of the Goals erected in the out Country we ties are very insufficient for the safe keeping and securing 🙊💥 criminal Offenders.

I. Be it Enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Affembly, that every Justice of Peace, authorized to examine and to commit Offenders within this Province, if they fee Cause to commit any Offender for Treason or Suspicion thereof, or for any high Crimes and Misdemeanors committed against his Majesty or his Government, shall in Case the Goal of the County, from whence such Offender shall be so committed, be insufficient, cause such Offender to be conveyed to his Majesty's Goal in Halifax, within the County of Halifax, and the Provost Marshall of the said Province, or Keeper of his Majesty's Goal in Hahfax, are, hereby required and Commanded to receive all such Offenders, them safe keep, till they shall otherwise be delivered by due Course of Law. VII. And

In Case the Goal of the County from whence any Offenders for Treaton. &t. are committed is insufficient such to be conveyed to theGoal in Halifan.

When the Supreme Court, shall be impowered to try such Offenders, may hear, try and determine such Offenders at Halifax.

II. And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforefaid, That when and as foon as the Supreme Court, Court of Affize and General Goal Delivery shall be impowered to proceed to the Trial of Offenders for any of the Crimes aforesaid, they are hereby impower'd to hear, try and determine, all such Offences at his Majesty's Supreme Court to be held at Halifax; in and for the said County, by a Jury of the said County, any Law, Usage or Custom, to the contrary Notwithstanding.

Provifo,
A& to continue in
Force during the
prefent Rebellion
in America.

III. Brovided always, and be it further Enacted, That this Act and every Clause and Article therein contained shall be of Force for and during the present Rebellion in America and no longer.

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