

The Foreman of the Grand Jury empowered to administer, in their presence, the usual oath to Persons appearing as Witnesses before them. The said Oath to be binding in Law.

sembled 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 from and after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful in all Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction to and for the Foreman of the Grand Jury, and he is hereby empowered and required to administer in the presence of the Grand Jury the usual Oath to such persons as shall appear as Witnesses before the Grand Jury, and such Oath so administered shall be as valid and binding in Law, as if the same had been administered by the Court, any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

## C A P. VIII.

AN ACT for the further encouragement of the Culture of Hemp in this Province.

(2d. May, 1804.)

Preamble.

Governor empowered to apply £2000. for the advancement of the Culture of Hemp.

WE, Your Majesty's dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada having taken into our most serious consideration the expediency of granting further encouragement to promote the Culture of Hemp in this Province: May it 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 and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government for the time being, out of any unappropriated monies that now are or may be in the hands of the Receiver General of this Province, to apply a further sum not exceeding twelve hundred Pounds, Current money of this Province, to enable the Inhabitants to enter on the culture of Hemp with facility and advantage, and the said sum herein appropriated shall be applied in such manner and under such regulations as His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government for the time being shall judge most expedient for promoting the ends of this Act.

Application of the money to be

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said sum of money pursuant to the directions of this Act, shall be accounted for

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His Majesty.

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. IX.

AN ACT to regulate the Curing, Packing and Inspection of Beef and Pork to be exported from the Province of Lower-Canada.

(2d. May, 1804.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS Beef and Pork are articles of increasing consequence in the exports from this Province, and it would tend to the improvement of the quality thereof, and have other beneficial effects, that the same should be ascertained previous to their being shipped for exportation: 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 from and after the first day of November next no person or persons whatever shall ship or export from this Province any Beef or Pork, except in Barrels and half Barrels of the quality and dimensions herein after provided, and the contents thereof inspected and packed, and the Casks containing the same are Branded agreeable to the directions of this Act.

After the 1st. of November next, no Beef or Pork to be exported from this Province but as is directed by this Act.

Governor &c. to appoint in each of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal one or more Inspectors for putting this Act in execution.

Each of the Inspectors to take an Oath.

The Oath.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government, from time to time, as to him may seem reasonable, to appoint one or more capable Persons in each of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, to be Inspector or Inspectors of Beef and Pork, who shall thereupon be the Inspector or Inspectors for putting this Act in execution with all the powers and subject to all the Penalties herein after described, and each of the Inspectors before he enters upon the execution of his Office, shall take and subscribe an Oath before one of His Majesty's Justices of the Court of King's Bench of this Province, in the words following, viz. " I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully, truly and impartially, to the best of my judgment, skill and understanding, execute, do and perform the office and duty of an Inspector, Packer and Repacker of Beef and Pork according to the true intent and meaning of " an Act intituled, " *An Act to regulate the Curing, Packing and Inspection of Beef and Pork to be exported from the Province of Lower-Canada;*" and that I will not " directly