

Contracts and Agreements that shall be made after the passing of this Act and before 1st. July next for the supplies of Wheat &c. deemed a privileged debt.

Saving of this Majesty's rights.

Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act of 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 any contract or agreement which shall, after the passing of this Act, and before the first day of July next, be *bona fide* made in writing, for supplies of Wheat, Peas, Oats or any other Seed Corn or Potatoes, in the presence of a Public Notary or one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or a Curate of any Parish, or a Captain of the Militia, and one other credible Witness, for any quantity of Seed-Corn, not exceeding forty *minots* of Wheat, and thirty *minots* of other Bread-Corn or Grain, nor twenty *minots* of Potatoes to any one buyer or borrower, his debt therefor shall in all Courts be deemed, and adjudged to be a privileged debt, with the benefit of preference to the Vendor or Lender, before any other Creditor, for any demand of any kind whatsoever, any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding: Saving nevertheless to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, all the rights of the Crown, with its dues and demands, as full and effectually, as if this Act had never been made.

C A P. VII.

AN ACT further to continue, for a limited time, and amend AN Act passed in the forty-third year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's Government as by Law happily established in this Province."

(21st March, 1811.)

Preamble.

Act 43 Geo. 3: continued.

WHEREAS An Act was passed by the Legislature of this Province in the forty-third year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's Government as by Law happily established in this Province," and whereas the said Act by a certain other Act, made and passed in the fiftieth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act further to continue, for a limited time, an Act passed in the Forty third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's Government, as by Law happily established in this Province," has been continued to be in force until the first day of January One thousand eight hundred and eleven, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the Provincial Parliament and no longer: And whereas it is expedient and necessary that the said Act should be further continued: 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

“ 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 said Act, intituled, “ *An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's Government as by Law happily established in this Province,*” and all matters and things therein contained, shall continue to be in force until the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the Provincial Parliament, and no longer.

Saving of the Rights and Privileges of either Branch of the Legislature.

II. Provided always and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in the said Act, intituled, “ *An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's Government as by law happily established in this Province,*” or in this Act contained, shall extend or be construed to invalidate or restrain the lawful Rights and Privileges of either Branch of the Provincial Parliament in this Province, or to the imprisoning or detaining of any Member of either House of the said Provincial Parliament during the sitting of such Provincial Parliament, until the matter of which he stands suspected be first communicated to the House of which he is a Member, and the consent of the said House obtained for his commitment or detaining.

This Act or the former Act may be altered during the present Session of the Legislature.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act and the said Act, intituled, “ *An Act for the better preservation of His Majesty's government as by Law happily established in this Province,*” and each or either of them may be altered, amended or repealed at any time during the present Session of the Provincial Parliament.

C A P. VIII.

AN ACT further to continue, for a limited time, an Act passed in the forty fifth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled: *An Act to ratify and confirm the Provisional articles of agreement entered into by the respective Commissioners of this Province and of Upper Canada, at Montreal on the fifth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and four, relative to duties, and for carrying the same into effect; and also further to continue an Act passed in the thirty seventh year of his Majesty's reign.*”

(21st March, 1811.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.
Act 45. Geo. 3.
cap. 2. Provision

WHEREAS An Act was passed, in the forty eight year of Your Majesty's reign intituled, “ *An Act to continue for a limited time An Act passed in the forty fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, “ An Act to ratify and confirm the Provisional*”

“ *article,*”