

may be allowed, shall be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, or person or persons sentenced to pay the same respectively by warrant under the hand and seal of such two Justices of the Peace as shall have convicted as aforesaid; and all the fines, penalties and forfeitures when recovered shall belong and be paid, one half to His Majesty, his heirs and successors, and the other half to the informer, and the same shall be accounted for to His Majesty, 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.

Limitation of
actions.

XVI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no action or suit shall be commenced against any person or persons for any offence committed against this Act, unless such action or suit shall be commenced or prosecuted within one calendar month next after the fact committed, and not afterwards.

Ordinance of the
Governor and
Council of the
late Province of
Quebec and pass-
ed 29 March
1777, repealed.

XVII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that an Ordinance passed by the Governor and the Legislative Council of the late Province of Quebec, on the twenty-ninth day of March in the seventeenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, intituled, "An Ordinance concerning Bakers of Bread in the Towns of Quebec and Montreal" be, and the same and every part thereof, is hereby repealed.

Continuance of
this act.

XVIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall remain in force until the first day of May, One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, and no longer.

C A P. VI.

An Act to encourage and diffuse the practice of Vaccine Inoculation.

(25th March, 1815.)

Preamble,

WHEREAS the practice of Vaccine Inoculation has not hitherto obtained in this Province a sufficiently extensive diffusion, and that it would be necessary to provide means for giving a greater extent thereto: 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

£1000 granted,
to defray the ex-
pences for diffu-
sing the practice of
Vaccine Inocula-
tion, to be distri-
buted in several
proportions, to
three Districts
of the Province.

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 to and for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, out of the unappropriated Monies in the hands of the Receiver General, to apply the sum of One Thousand pounds, currency, in the manner herein-after prescribed to defray the expenses necessary for diffusing the practice of Vaccine Inoculation, which sum shall be distributed in the several parts of the Province as follows, that is to say, in the District of Quebec, Three Hundred pounds; in the District of Montreal, Four Hundred pounds; in the District of Three Rivers, One Hundred pounds; and in the District of Gaspé, One Hundred pounds.

Governor emp-
owered to ap-
ply the said sums
for the payment
of the physicians
or Surgeons to
be employed.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, to apply the said sums in each of the Districts aforesaid to the payment of one or more Physicians or Surgeons in each of the said Districts, charged with the duty of visiting such District during the next summer, and of performing Vaccine Inoculation in the several Parishes or Townships as herein-after provided, upon every person or persons offered or presenting themselves for that purpose, without being entitled to any fee, emolument or any consideration whatever, for effecting the same.

Duty of such phy-
sicians before
making their
visits in the
several districts.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that each of the said Physicians or Surgeons nominated and appointed by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, before making his visit in the Districts of Quebec, Montreal and Three Rivers, shall give notice by an Advertisement in the English and French languages, of the times and places, when and where he will make such visit, fifteen days at the least before he shall perform the same, which advertisement for the Districts of Quebec and Three Rivers shall be given in the Quebec Gazette, and for the District of Montreal, in the Montreal Gazette, and shall indicate the place at which he will reside, and the time during which he will remain, to perform the Vaccine Inoculation as aforesaid, and the duration of his stay shall not be less than one week for every three Parishes or Townships.

Who are to
keep a correct
Register of the
persons they shall
have inoculated.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Physicians or Surgeons so appointed to perform Inoculation as aforesaid, shall at all times keep a correct register of all the persons whom they shall have inoculated, their ages, sexes, their christian names and surnames, the names of the Parishes, Seigneuries or Townships to which they may belong; they shall also report what Endemic disease prevail in the several parts of the Province which they may visit, of which Registers and Reports, three copies signed by the said Physicians or Surgeons respectively, shall be transmitted

transmitted before the first day of December next to the Office of the Secretary of the Province, in order to their being submitted to the consideration of the Legislature, if then in Session, or if not, at the then next Session thereof.

£ 100 granted to such person as the Governor may appoint for drawing up a set or collection of Instructions on the subject.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, to apply the sum of One hundred pounds, currency, to the drawing up, or compiling and printing by such person or persons as it shall please the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, for that purpose to appoint, a set or collection of instructions on the subject of the advantages which may result from the practice of Vaccine Inoculation, and the method of treatment proper to be observed in consequence of which set or collection of instructions, copies shall be forwarded with all possible despatch to the Members of the Legislative Bodies and Executive Councils to the Justices of His Majesty's Courts, to the Justices of the Peace, Rectors, Curates and Ministers of the several Religious Persuasions, and to the Seigneurs, Captains, and all other Officers of Militia, above that Rank.

Extra copies of this Act, with the copies of Instructions, to be sent to the persons, entitled to receive the Laws.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that a number of extra copies of this Act, shall be printed as soon as possible to be transmitted with the copies of the Instructions herein before mentioned to the Persons who by this Act are entitled to receive the same.

Application of the Monies, to be accounted for to His Majesty.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of all monies expended in conformity with the directions 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 direct.