

## C A P. XVI.

An Act to confirm and make valid certain proceedings of the Commissioners for the building and the repair of Churches, Parsonage Houses, and Church Yards.

(24th April, 1819.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS divers Commissions have, from time to time, heretofore been issued under and by virtue of an Ordinance of the late Province of Quebec, passed in the thirty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act or Ordinance concerning the building and repairing of Churches, Parsonage Houses, and Church Yards," by the Governors or persons administering the Government of this Province, appointing and constituting the persons in the said Commission, named, to execute the trust by the said Ordinance vested in the Governors or Commanders in Chief for the time being; And whereas by reason of the determination from time to time, of the said Commissions, disputes and questions have arisen and may arise, as to the validity or legality of certain Acts or proceedings done or had by the said Commissioners, after the determination of their authority as aforesaid; Now for the removing and putting an end to such questions and disputes; Be it therefore declared and 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 all acts and proceedings whatsoever, had or done by or under the authority of the said Commissioners before the thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, in the execution *bonâ fide* of the authority and trust so as aforesaid reposed in them, shall be and shall be esteemed and taken, and in every Court of Law wherein question shall arise concerning the validity of the same, shall be adjudged and declared to be as good, valid and effectual in Law to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as if the said Commissions under which the said Commissioners shall respectively in such cases have acted, had been and still remained in full force and virtue when the said acts and proceedings were respectively had and done, any objection for or by reason of the cessation and determination of the powers so as aforesaid vested in the said Commissioners to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Acts of Commissioners before  
before 13th day  
of October, 1818,  
confirmed.

Not to annul any objections made to such acts or proceedings of the Commissioners by reason of any insufficiency of Law, or to alter any judgment touching the powers of such Commissioners.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained, shall extend or be construed to extend to avoid or annul any objection made to such acts or proceedings of the said Commissioners for or by reason of any insufficiency, irregularity, defect or matter of Law whatsoever, or in any manner or way to affect, change or alter any Judgment or Judgments of any or either of His Majesty's Courts of Law in this Province, which may have been given touching or concerning the Commissions, Powers or Authorities of such Commissioners as aforesaid, or of any or either of them already made.

C A P. XVII.

An Act to discontinue certain Duties therein-mentioned.

(24th April, 1819.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fifty-third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to grant certain Duties to His Majesty towards supplying the wants of the Province during the present war with the United States of America, and for other purposes," which said Act was, by another Act passed in the fifty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to continue for a limited time, the levying of the Duties imposed by the Act of the fifty-third year of His Majesty's Reign, Chapter the eleventh, as amended by the Act of the fifty-fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, Chapter the second," further continued for a limited time, a duty of two pounds ten shillings, currency, is imposed on every hundred pounds worth of goods, wares and merchandize which should thereafter be imported into this Province, from any place or country whatsoever, by any person or persons whatsoever, with the exception of certain articles enumerated in the fifth Clause of the Act first above mentioned; And whereas it is expedient also to exempt Seeds, Rye, Oats, Barley, Potatoes, Indian Corn, Beans, Pease, Rice and Grain of all kinds, and Horses, Neat Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Poultry and other Live Stock, and live provisions of all kinds, as well as Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Rosin, Hemp and Flax, Butter, Cheese and Honey, from the said duty; 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

Certain articles exempt from duty.