

C A P. IX.

AN Act to amend an Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, intituled, "An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, to amend the Judicature thereof and to repeal certain Laws therein-mentioned, inasmuch as the same relates to the Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction."

(22d. March, 1823.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to alter and amend for a limited time, certain parts of an Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, for amending the Judicature thereof and for repealing certain Laws therein-mentioned"; 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 passing of this Act, it shall be lawful to and for any two of the Puisne Justices of the Courts of King's Bench in either of the Districts of Quebec or Montreal, to hold in their respective Districts within the Terms by Law appointed, Courts of King's Bench, for the cognizance of crimes and criminal offences, in as full and ample manner to all intents and purposes, as if His Majesty's Chief Justice of the Province or the Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, at Montreal, were personally present, and presiding thereat, any Law, Statute or usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction may be held in the Districts of Quebec and Montreal, by two Puisne Justices, without the Chief Justice of the Province, or the Chief Justice of Montreal.

Terms of holding the Court at Montreal.

II. And whereas the Terms of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the cognizance of crimes and criminal offences in the District of Montreal, are found by experience, to be insufficient to enable the said Court to dispatch the business depending before it; Be it therefore further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said terms of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the cognizance of crimes and criminal offences in the said District, shall, hereafter respectively, be held at Montreal, during the last five days of the month of February, and during the last five days of

of the month of August, in addition to the Terms now by law established and appointed to be there held.

Continuance of
this Act.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and remain in force until the first day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, and no longer.

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AN Act to appropriate a Sum of Money therein-mentioned for the Erection of Stepping Mills in the Houses of Correction for the Districts of Quebec and Montreal.

(22d March, 1823.)

Example.

WHEREAS it is expedient to appropriate a Sum of Money for the purpose of establishing a stepping Mill in each of the Houses of Correction in the Districts of Quebec and Montreal, in order that the persons therein-confined may be kept at useful labour by working such Mill; 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 for the purpose of erecting a Stepping Mill for each of the Houses of Correction for the Districts of Quebec and Montreal, and for the purpose of procuring a working model or models of Stepping Mills previous to the erection of the same for the said Houses of Correction, on the best and most approved plan from such place or Countries where the same are in use, a sum not exceeding six hundred pounds, currency, for each of the Houses of Correction in the Districts of Quebec and Montreal, may by a Warrant or Warrants under the hand of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, be advanced and paid from and out of the unappropriated monies that now are, or that hereafter may come into the hands of the Receiver-General of the Province for the time being.

£600 granted
for models and
the erecting Stepping
Mills in the
Districts of Que-
bec and Montreal.