CAPVIII.

An ACT in ADDITION to an act, intitled an act for affelling, collecting and levying COUNTY RATES.

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Allembly,

Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of St. John, im-powered to appoint affellors and collectors of rates and taxes.

Such affeffore fubject to the same zules, penalties, &c. as parish affeifors.

And fuch collectors also subject to the fame rules, penalises, &c. as constables are subject

HAT it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, in Common Council convened, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint such and so many assessors and collectors as they in their discretion shall think fit for the affelling, levying and collecting all fuch rates, taxes and affeliments as shall from time to time be required to be levied and affessed upon the inhabitants of the faid City by virtue of the faid recited act, or of any other law for raising or assessing any sum or sums of money upon the inhabitants of the faid city. And such assessors so to be appointed, and all fuch affestors as have been heretofore appointed by the faid common Council by virtue of any law of this province, shall be and they are hereby made subject and liable to the same rules, regulations, restrictions, penalties and forfeitures, as the affesfors of any town or parish in this province are by law made subject and liable to. And all Collectors to be appointed, or that have been already appointed by the faid common Council, shall be and they are hereby made subject and liable to the same duties, rules, restrictions, regulations, penalties and forfeitures as any constables in any town or parish in this province are by the faid herein before recited act made subjest and liable to.

CAPIX.

An ACT for more EFFECTUALLY fecuring the TITLE of purchasers of REAL ESTATES against CLAIMS for DOWER.

Preamble.

7 HEREAS fome doubts have arisen concerning the conveyance of Dower by the wife, in her husband's life-time in the manner and form now in practice: In order therefore

to prevent any difficulty that may hearafter arise touching the fame.

Be it enacted, by the Licutenant-Governor, Council, and No deeds of lande Affembly, That no Deed of bargain and fale, or other conveyance of any lands, tenements or hereditaments in which any Feme dower, shall ber Covert is, or may be entitled to a right of Dower, shall be valid and sufficient; to bar such right or the recovery thereof, after and acknowledged the decease of her husband, unless such Feme Covert, or marri- nation before & ed woman, shall fign, seal, and deliver such deed, and shall also Judge. appear before some one of his Majesty's Council, Judge of the Supreme Court, or one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the several counties of this province, and being examined separate and apart from her said husband, shall declare that she executed the same freely and voluntarily without any threat, fear or compulsion from him, which acknowledgment and declaration shall be entered on such deed, and registered with the same, and shall be an effectual bar, to her recovery of dower in and to the premises.

in which any feme coutre has right of fuch right unleft executed by her, on separate exams-

CAP. W.

An ACT to enable the JUSTICES of the PEACE in the feveral COUNTIES in this PROVINCE, wherein no fufficient GOALS are erected, to fend persons charged with GRAND LARCENY, and other offences of a higher nature, to the GOAL of the city and county of SAINT JOHN.

MIHEREAS great inconvenience may arise to several coun- Preamble; ties in this province, for the want of a County goal, for the securing of felons, and other offenders, where the inhabitants have not yet been able to build a goal.

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Affembly, That from and after the publication of this act, if When there is not any person or persons shall be brought before any Justice of the any ecunty, persons, in any county in this province, where no sufficient coun-

a sufficient goal in