tain the arrears thereof in the following action, [here insert declaration] and make return hereof and of the verdict of the Jury to us forthwith. Witness, &c.

CAP. XXVI.

An Act to amend the Act relating to Intestate Estates. Section. Section.

 Distribution of Estates of Intestates.
Force of Act limited. 3. Chap. 111, s. 1. Rev. Stat., repealed.

Passed 6th April 1858.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows :---

1. When any person shall die intestate, his estate shall be divided equally to and amongst his children or their legal representatives, including in the distribution children of the half blood; and in case there be no children of the intestate, then to the next of kindred in equal degree, and their representatives. but children advanced by settlement or portions not equal to the other shares, shall have so much of the surplusage as shall make the estate of all equal, reserving the widow's right of dower.

2. This Act shall not extend to the estate of any person who may have died before the passing thereof, nor to the estate of any person who at the time of the passing thereof was non compos mentis, and does so continue until his death.

3. Section 1, Chapter 111, Title xxx, of the Revised Statutes, "Of Intestate Estates," is hereby repealed.

CAP. XXVII.

An Act to continue and amend an Act relating to Steam Navigation in this Province.

Section.

Act 17 V. c. 9, continued.
Pressure at inspection and for working.
Life Boats, construction of.
Life preservers, number of, regulated.

Section.

5. Lock up safety escape valve.

6. Act not to apply to H. M. Steamers. 7. Commencement of Act.

Passed 6th April 1858.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows :---

1. An Act made and passed in the seventeenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act relating to