

in the same manner and for the like purposes, and subject to the same conditions as His Majesty is by this Act authorized to do with respect to the Lands bordering on the River Rideau.

XXVI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any
 Protection in case of
 actions brought. Plaintiff shall be brought or commenced against any person or persons
 for any thing done or to be done in pursuance of this Act, or in execu-
 tion of the powers and authorities, or the orders and directions herein-
 before given or granted, every such suit shall be brought or commenced
 Limitation of suit to
 six months. within six Calendar months next after the fact committed, or in case
 there shall be a continuation of damages, then within six Calendar months
 next after the doing or committing of such damages shall cease, and
 not afterwards; and the Defendant or Defendants in such action or suit,
 shall and may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special
 matter in evidence at any trial to be had thereon, and that the same
 was done in pursuance and by the authority of this Act, and if it shall
 appear to be done so, or if any action or suit shall be brought after
 the time hereinbefore limited for bringing the same, then a verdict shall
 be given for the Defendant.
 General issue.

XXVII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That this
 A Public Act. Act shall be deemed a Public Act, and shall be judicially noticed as
 such in the several Courts in this Province.



CHAP. II.

AN ACT to enable the President and Directors of the Welland Canal Company to accept an aid from His Majesty's Government, towards the completion of the said Canal, and to secure to His Majesty the free use thereof.

[Passed 17th Feb'y. 1827.]

Preamble. **WHEREAS** His Majesty has been most graciously pleased to intimate, through His principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of this Province, that His Majesty would be willing to afford to the Welland Canal Company His Royal aid and assistance to the extent of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Pounds Sterling, being the one-ninth part of the Sum represented to His Majesty as the estimated cost of the said Canal, upon condition of the Locks thereon being constructed of at least twenty-two feet in width; and also, upon His Majesty being secured in the use of the said Canal, for all Vessels and Boats, when engaged in conveying Government Stores, without payment of any Duty or Toll: And Whereas, His Majesty's Royal intention having been communicated by His Excellency the Lieu-

tenant Governor to the President and Directors of the said Company, they have expressed their desire to accept His Majesty's Bounty upon the terms in which His Majesty has been pleased to signify his pleasure thereon: And Whereas, for carrying His Majesty's most gracious intentions into effect, it is necessary to secure to His Majesty the free use of the said Canal for the Public Services of His Majesty by an Act of the Legislature.

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 Upper 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 by the authority of the same, That the Locks of the said Canal shall not be constructed of a less width than Twenty-two feet; and that in all time to come, all Vessels and Boats, the property of His Majesty, and all other Vessels and Boats, when engaged in carrying His Majesty's Stores, shall be at liberty to pass and repass upon and through the said Canal and Locks without the payment of any Duty or Toll. Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to exempt from the ordinary charges of Toll or Duty, such Goods or Commodities, the Property of Individuals, as shall be transported in any Vessel or Boat, not being the Property of His Majesty, or the Tonnage employed in the Transport thereof.

The Locks on the Welland Canal shall not be less than 22 feet in width.

His Majesty's Vessels, and Vessels employed in transporting His Majesty's stores, shall pass at all times free of Toll.

Exception as to private Vessels carrying also merchandize for individuals.



CHAP. III.

AN ACT to amend the Laws regulating the Practice of Physic, Surgery, and Midwifery in this Province.

[Passed 17th Feb'y. 1827.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to repeal part of, and amend, an Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the Fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, entitled, "An Act to Repeal an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, 'An Act to Licence Practitioners in Physic and Surgery throughout this Province, and to make further provision for Licencing such Practitioners.'" Preamble.