

## ANNO DECIMO ET UNDECIMO

## VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

## CAP. CXII.

An Act to extend the time for taking the Oath, and making the Declaration required of persons naturalized in this Province.

> Reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, 28th July, 1847. The Royal Assent given by Her Majesty in Council, on the 30th October, 1847; and Proclamation made thereof by His Excellency James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, in the Canada Gazette of the 11th December, 1847.

THEREAS the time for taking the Oath and making the Declaration to be taken Preamble. and made by certain persons, by the Act passed in the Session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act to secure to and con- Act of Canafer upon certain inhabitants of this Province the Civil and Political Rights of Natural Born British Subjects, has expired with regard to many persons otherwise entitled to the benefit of the said Act; and many such persons have, for want of sufficient notice of the provisions of the said Act, lost the benefit thereof; And whereas it is desirable to amend the said Act, so as to afford relief to such persons, and also to other persons of the class of those for whose benefit the said Act was passed, but who have not yet completed a residence of seven years in this Province, or are not yet sixteen years of age: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That each and every person who, before or after the passing of this Act, would have been or may hereafter be entitled to the benefit of the Act above cited, if he had taken or should take the Oath or Affirmation, or have made or should make the Declaration thereby required, within the period prescribed in his case by the provisions of the said Act, but was at the time of the passing of this Act, or would, without this Act, hereafter become precluded from obtaining such benefit by reason of the expiration of such obtain the period, may take the said oath or affirmation, and make the said declaration at any time, the Act. not exceeding three years, hereafter or thereafter as the case may be, and shall thereby become entitled to all the benefits of the said Act as fully and effectually as if he had taken and made, or should take and make the same within the period prescribed in the said Act in his case; and so much of the said Act as may be inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed.

da 4 & 5 V. c. 7. recited.

Period within which persons having ne-glected to take the oath, &c. under the said Act, may take the same and benefits of