and effect, shall be proceeded with and acted on in the same manner as if they had been made after this Act shall have come into operation.

XXI. And for the interpretation of this Act—Be it enacted, That the expressions Interpretation "useful art, machine, manufacture or composition of matter," shall include any such of words in thing herein referred to whether it be made by hand or by machinery or by both of those means; the expression "Foreign Country" shall include any country not under the British Dominion and subject to the Crown thereof, and the singular number shall include the plural as well as the singular number, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender as well as the masculine gender.

CAP. $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{V}$.

An Act to exempt Naval and Military Officers and others on duty in Her Majesty's Service, from the payment of Toll upon any Turnpike Road in this Province.

[30th May, 1849.]

THEREAS it is expedient to provide that all persons in the Naval or Military Preamble. Service of Her Majesty, on actual duty, should be exempt from Toll on all Turnpike Roads in this Province, when passing any Turnpike Gate with their horses and carriages: 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 all persons in the Naval or Military Service of Her Majesty, on actual duty, travelling on any Road constructed or to be constructed under the authority of an Act passed during the present Session of this present Parliament, intituled, An Act to authorize the formation of Joint Stock Companies, for the construction of Roads and other Works in Upper-Canada, or under the authority of any other Act of the Parliament of this Province, in discharge of such duty, with their horses and carriages, and all horses, pike Roads. carts, carriages or wagons in charge of any such persons, conveying any Naval or Military Stores belonging to Her Majesty, in the course of transport from one place to another for Her Majesty's Service, shall pass the Gates set up across all such Roads, free of Toll; any thing in the said Act or any other Act or Law in force in this Province to the contrary notwithstanding.

All Naval or duty, with their Toll on Turn.