CAP. XXXVIII.

An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' Courts for the summary trial of small causes in Lower Canada.

[Assented to 27th May, 1857.]

Preamble.

THEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act relating to V the Commissioners' Courts for the summary trial of small causes in Lower Canada: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. Whoever shall have contracted a debt in any parish or

Suit may be brought where debt was contracted, subject to certain conditions.

township in which a Commissioners' Court is established, may be sued in such Court and the judgment may be carried into execution, provided that the debtor do not reside in a Parish or Township being at a greater distance than five leagues from such parish or township in which the debt has been con-Proviso: as to tracted, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; but the debtor so sued shall not be obliged to pay any greater amount of costs for services performed by Bailiffs or Sergeants of Militia than he would be obliged to pay if he were sued in the parish or township in which he resides, and the difference in the amount of suc costs in such case shall be paid by the creditor bringing the action.

Extent of Act.

costs.

II. This Act shall apply to Lower Canada only.

CAP. XXXIX.

An Act to amend the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats.

[Assented to 27th May, 1857.]

Preamble. 16 V. c. 171. WHEREAS the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, intituled:
An Act to amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other Game within this Province at certain seasons of the year, does not accomplish the purpose for which it was passed, in so far as concerns the period fixed for the hunting of the Muskrat: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The third section of the said Act is hereby repealed, and Priod for killing Muskrats from and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful in L. C. limit- for any person or persons, in Lower Canada, to kill, shoot, destroy,