



BY AUTHORITY.

ANNO DECIMO NONO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. XXI.

An Act to amend Chapter 118, Title XXX, of the Revised Statutes, "Of Letters Patent for useful Inventions."

Section.

1. Patents may be granted for 14 years.
2. Before whom oaths or affirmations may be taken.

Section.

3. False oath or affirmation, penalty for.
4. Inconsistent Acts repealed.

Passed 12th April 1856.

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

1. From and after the passing of this Act, Letters Patent may be granted to any applicant for a term not exceeding fourteen years, giving him the exclusive right to make, use, and vend any new invention or discovery, instead of ten years as provided for by Section 1, Chapter 118, Title XXX, Part Second, of the Revised Statutes, "Of Letters Patent for useful Inventions."

2. When oaths or affirmations are required by the said in part recited Chapter, in order to obtaining the said Letters Patent, the same may be administered by Commissioners for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court of the Province, and also by the same persons before whom conveyances of land can be proved or acknowledged, as authorized by Chapter 112, Title XXX, Part Second, of the Revised Statutes, "Of the Registry of Deeds and other Instruments," and in manner and form as therein directed.

3. If any person or persons shall wilfully, falsely, and corruptly take any of the oaths or affirmations appointed and required by any of the provisions of this Act or the Act to which this is an amendment, and be thereof lawfully convicted by indictment or information, or if any person or persons shall corruptly procure or suborn any other person or persons to take the said oaths or affirmations, or either of them, and the person so procuring or suborning shall be thereof convicted by indictment or information, every person so offending shall for every such offence incur and suffer such penalties, forfeitures, and disabilities, as persons convicted of wilful and corrupt perjury are liable to.

4. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

CAP. XXII.

An Act to amend Chapter 1, of Title I, of the Revised Statutes, so far as relates to the Division Line between the Parishes of Northesk and Nelson.

Commencement of division line altered.

Passed 12th April 1856.

WHEREAS it is deemed advisable to alter the Division Line between the Parishes of Northesk and Nelson, in the County of Northumberland ;—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly,—That that part of the said Chapter 1, Title I, as relates to the division line between the parishes of Nelson and Northesk, in the County of Northum-

berland, be and the same is hereby repealed ; and in lieu thereof, that the said division line shall commence from Beaubear's Point, and run south sixty eight degrees west, as formerly established by law.

CAP. XXIII.

An Act relating to the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Gloucester.

Section.

1. Opening of Court when first Tuesday is New Year's day.

Section.

2. Return of writs, and validity of proceedings.

Passed 12th April 1856.

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

1. When the day of opening of the said Courts for the January Term, being the first Tuesday in January, shall happen to be New Year's Day, the said Courts may be opened on the following day, but all proceedings shall be as of the first Tuesday in January, and relate thereto ; and the elections of Parish Officers under Title VIII, Chapter 52, of the Revised Statutes, shall in such case be held on the Wednesday previous to the said first Tuesday in January.

2. All Writs shall be returnable on the first Tuesday in January as heretofore, and all proceedings shall be as valid and effectual as if the said Courts had opened on the said first Tuesday in January, and the said Parish election held on the Tuesday previous.

CAP. XXIV.

An Act relating to the Fire Department of Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte.

Section.

1. Firemen exempted from Jury service.

Section.

2. Privilege after 14 years service.

Passed 12th April 1856.

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

1. The Firemen attached to the Saint Stephen Volunteer Fire Engine Company Number Two, in the Lower Village District, shall be and they are hereby declared to be exempted from serving upon any Jury in any Court of Law in the County of Charlotte.

2. The members of the said Company after a faithful service therein of fourteen years, shall be allowed, with the consent of the General Sessions of the Peace of the said County, or of the County Council when the said County shall be incorporated, to retire therefrom, and be entitled to all the privileges and exemptions granted to members of the said Company by this or any other Act of Assembly in this Province.

CAP. XXV.

An Act to erect the upper part of the Parish of Saint Patrick, in the County of Charlotte, into a separate Town or Parish.

Section.

1. Parish of Dumbarton erected.
2. To possess privileges of other Parishes.

Section.

3. Commencement of Act, and effect on assessments, &c.

Passed 12th April 1856.

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