

declaration would have had, and shall be binding to the same extent as such declaration would have been, if contained in a decree made in a suit between the same parties, instituted by bill; provided that, if upon the hearing of such case, the Court shall be of opinion that the questions raised thereby, or any of them, cannot properly be decided upon such case, the said Court may refuse to decide the same.

18. Every executor, trustee, or other person making any payment, or doing any act in conformity with the declaration contained in any decree made upon a special case, shall, in all respects, be as fully and effectually protected and indemnified by such declaration, as if such payment had been made, or act done, under or in pursuance of an order of the said Court made in a suit between the same parties instituted by bill, save only as to any rights or claims of any person in respect of matters not determined by such declaration.

19. The costs of the proceedings relating to any special case shall be in the discretion of the Court.

20. The first seven Sections of this Act shall not apply to suits now pending.

21. Any part of the above recited Act which is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, is hereby repealed.

22. In Section 13 of Chapter 1 of the said Act, instead of process being directed to or served by all the Coroners of any County, the same may be directed to or served by any one of the Coroners of such County.

23. The books or writings mentioned in Section 5 of Chapter 3 of the same Act, when used in evidence on any reference under the said Section, shall be evidence to be used before the Supreme Court in Equity, or any Judge thereof, in the same manner as any other evidence taken in the same cause.

SCHEDULE A.

Supreme Court—Equity Side.

Between A. B. Plaintiff, and C. D. Defendant.

This is to certify that by a decree of this Court bearing date the — day of —, in the year one thousand eight hundred and —, it was ordered that the said defendant should be absolutely barred and foreclosed from all right and equity of redemption in and to the following described lands, [*describe the lands as set forth in the bill,*] being the land mentioned in the said plaintiff's bill.—Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Court this — day of —, A. D. 186 .

Clerk.

CAP. XVII.

An Act in further amendment of Chapter 40, Title iv, of the Revised Statutes, 'Of the Post Office.'

Section.

1. System of Money Orders, how established.

Section.

2. System may be extended.

Passed 20th April, 1863.

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

1. The Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations for enabling the public to remit sums of money, not exceeding one hundred dollars in any one Order, through the Post Office, by establishing a system of Money Orders, to be granted by one Postmaster or officer of the Department on another, and fixing the rates of poundage on which such

Orders may be obtained; which said regulations may from time to time be repealed or amended by any subsequent regulations made in like manner.

2. The Governor in Council may also by regulations to be from time to time made, extend the Money Order System on Postmasters in the United Kingdom and the adjoining Colonies, or any of them, and the payment of Money Orders drawn by such Postmasters on Postmasters in this Province by such arrangements, and on such terms and conditions as may be deemed expedient.

CAP. XVIII.

An Act for the further protection of Sheep from Dogs.

Passed 20th April 1863.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly,—That any dog unaccompanied by its owner, found chasing sheep, shall be liable, on view, to be killed, and the owner of such dog shall be liable, on proof, to the owner of any sheep so chased, for any damage sustained by reason of such chasing; and any person killing such dog so found chasing sheep as aforesaid, may plead the general issue, and give the special matter in evidence in justification thereof.

CAP. XIX.

An Act to provide for the more efficient discharge of the duties of certain Parish Officers in Incorporated Counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Section.

1. Overseers, when to make returns.
Penalty for neglect.

2. Duty of Collectors.

Section.

3. Powers vested in General Sessions by Act 25 V. c. 16, also vested in County Councils. [months.]

4. Fines to be prosecuted within six

Passed 20th April, 1863.

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

1. That the Overseers of the Poor for the several Parishes in Incorporated Counties, unless otherwise directed by any special Act or Acts of the General Assembly, shall, on or before the first day of January in each and every year, make returns in writing, under oath, to the Secretary Treasurers of their respective Counties, containing a detailed account of all moneys placed in their hands, or in the hands of any of them, for the support of the Poor, or otherwise, in their capacity of Overseers of the Poor, with the expenditure or other disposition of the same, accompanied by vouchers for the sums expended or disposed of, under a penalty against such Overseers of the Poor as may neglect the duty hereby imposed, of a sum not exceeding ten pounds, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace of the County, with costs, in the name of the Secretary Treasurer, under the provisions of Chapter one hundred and thirty eight, Title xxxvii, of the Revised Statutes, 'Of Summary Convictions,' or of any Act made or to be hereafter made in addition to or in amendment of the same; and such penalty, when recovered, shall be paid over to the Secretary Treasurer for the use of the County in which such offence may have been committed.

2. That it shall be the duty of the Collectors of Rates for the several Parishes in such Counties, and they are hereby required to file with the Secretary Treasurers in their respective Counties, the true account of every sum of money received, with vouchers, and correct list of defaulters, verified