

Heirs or Successors, by Her or Their Order in Council, to declare Her or Their Disallowance of such Law or Ordinance; and that such Disallowance, together with a Certificate under the Hand and Seal of such Secretary of State, testifying the Day on which such Law or Ordinance was received as aforesaid, being signified by such Governor by Proclamation within the said Province, shall make void and annul the same from and after the Date of such Signification.

VI. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be taken to affect or invalidate any Law, Statute, or Ordinance now in force within the said Province of *Lower Canada*, or in any Part thereof, except in so far as the same is repugnant to this Act.

This Act not to affect Laws, &c. now in force, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be proclaimed by the Governor of the said Province of *Lower Canada* within the said Province, and shall commence and take effect within the said Province from the Proclamation thereof.

Proclamation of this Act.

VIII. And be it enacted, That for the Purposes of this Act any Person authorized to execute the Commission of Governor of the Province of *Lower Canada* shall be taken to be the Governor thereof.

The Term "Governor" defined.

IX. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

Act may be altered, &c.

CAP. X. *see H.V. 14 a similar Act*

An Act to make good certain Contracts which have been or may be entered into by certain Banking and other Copartnerships. [20th February 1838.]

‘ WHEREAS divers Associations and Copartnerships, consisting of more than Six Members or Shareholders, have from Time to Time been formed for the Purpose of being engaged in and carrying on the Business of Banking and divers other Trades and Dealings for Gain and Profit, and have accordingly for some Time past been and now are engaged in carrying on the same by means of Boards of Directors or Managers, Committees or other Officers, acting on behalf of all the Members or Shareholders of or Persons otherwise interested in such Associations or Copartnerships: And whereas divers Spiritual Persons, having or holding Dignities, Prebends, Canonries, Benefices, Stipendiary Curacies, or Lectureships, have been and are Members or Shareholders of or otherwise interested in divers of such Associations and Copartnerships, and it has not been commonly known or understood that the holding of such Shares or Interests by such Spiritual Persons was contrary to Law: And whereas it is expedient to render legal and valid all Contracts entered into by such Associations or Copartnerships, or which for a limited

No Association or Copartnership, or Contract entered into by any of them to be illegal or void by reason only of Spiritual Persons being Members of such Association or Copartnership.

In all Actions and Suits the Defendant to be entitled to taxed Costs, and the Court may make Order for further Costs.

Act may be repealed this Session.

‘ limited Time may be entered into by them, although the same
 ‘ may now be void by reason of such Spiritual Persons being
 ‘ or having been such Members or Shareholders or otherwise
 ‘ interested as aforesaid:’ Be it therefore enacted by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That no such Association or Copartnership already formed or which may be formed at any Time before the End of the next Session of Parliament, nor any Contract, either as between the Members, Partners, or Shareholders composing such Association or Copartnership for the Purposes thereof, or as between such Association or Copartnership and other Persons, heretofore entered into, or which before the End of the next Session of Parliament shall be entered into, by any such Association or Copartnership already formed or hereafter to be formed, shall be deemed or taken to be illegal or void, or to occasion any Forfeiture whatsoever, by reason only of any such Spiritual Person as aforesaid being or having been a Member, Partner, Shareholder, Manager, or Director of or otherwise interested in the same, but all such Associations and Copartnerships shall have the same Validity, and all such Contracts shall and may be enforced in the same Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if no such Spiritual Person had been or was a Member, Partner, Shareholder, Manager, or Director of or interested in such Association or Copartnership.

II. And be it further enacted, That in all Actions and Suits which shall have been brought or instituted by or on behalf of any such Association or Copartnership, in case any Defendant therein shall before the Sixth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, by Plea or otherwise, have insisted on the Invalidity of any Contract thereby sought to be enforced by reason of any such Spiritual Person as aforesaid being or having been a Member or Shareholder in such Association or Copartnership, such Defendant shall be entitled to the full Costs of such Plea or other Defence, to be paid by the Plaintiff, and to be taxed as the Court in which the said Action or Suit shall be depending, or any Judge thereof, shall direct; and in order fully to indemnify such Defendant it shall be lawful for such Court or Judge to order the Plaintiff to pay to him such further Costs (if any) of the said Action or Suit as the Justice of the Case may require.

III. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be repealed or altered by any other Act in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. XI.

An Act to apply the Sum of Two Millions to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight. [26th February 1838.]

see post c 111 s. 10

‘ Most Gracious Sovereign,
 ‘ **WE**, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the
 ‘ Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and
 ‘ *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the
 ‘ Supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in
 ‘ this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your
 ‘ Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned;’ and do therefore
 most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted;
 and be it enacted by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by
 and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and
 Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled,
 and by the Authority of the same, That there shall and may be
 issued and applied, for or towards making good the Supply
 granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the Year One thou-
 sand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the Sum of Two Millions,
 a Part of the Sum now remaining in the Exchequer of the
 United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or remaining to
 be received on the Twenty-ninth Day of *January* One thousand
 eight hundred and thirty-eight, to complete the Aids granted by
 Parliament for the Service of the Year One thousand eight
 hundred and thirty-seven and of antecedent Years; and the
 Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Treasury of the United King-
 dom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* now or for the Time being,
 or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of
 the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time
 being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and
 apply the same accordingly.

There shall be
 applied for the
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 Year 1838
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CAP. XII.

An Act for raising the Sum of Eleven millions four hundred and thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty Pounds by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight. [26th February 1838.]

see post c 111 s. 10

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