taxed, and the defendant may plead the general iffue for his defence, and give this act in evidence, and the faid act fhall for that purpose be deemed in all courts to be a public act.

Provided always and be it enacted by the fame authority, That this act nor any claule therein contained, fhall be of force, until his majefty fhall have fignified his royal pleafure concerning the fame.

DORCHESTER.

Enacted and ordained by the authority aforefaid, and paffed in council under the public feal of the province, at the council-chamber in the caftle of Saint Lewis, in the city of Quebec, the thirtieth day of April, in the twenty-feventh year of the reign of our jovereign lord GEORGE the THIRD, by the grace of GOD, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, king, defender of the faith, and so forth; and in the year of our Lord one thousand feven hundred and eighty-feven.

By His Excellency's Command,

FINIS.

This ordinance fufpended until the royal picature he krown.

J. WILLIAMS, C. L. C.