any High Treason, committed during the existence of the late war between His Majesty and the United States of America, make out and deliver to the said Commissioners like extracts of the same respectively, all which extracts or certified lists, the said Commissioners shall enter into a book, to be provided and kept by them for that purpose.

which extract to be entered by the commissioners.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That an extract from that book, signed by any two or more of the said Commissioners, shall be taken and held as sufficient evidence of the matters therein certified, in all Courts of Justice within this Province, as far as may concern the execution of this Act, as fully as if the records of such attainder or Inquisition were produced in such Courts.

An extract of such entry, signed by any 2 or more commissionersto be evidence in Courts of Justice.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners, or the majority of them for the time being, are hereby authorised, this Act. empowered, and required, to inquire into all such estates, both real and personal, within this Province, as are or may be vested in His Majesty by such attainder as aforesaid, or by Inquisition returned under the authority of the said Act passed in the fifty-fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, and to cause all and every the rents, issues, and profits of the said real estates, until sale. thereof, to be effectually levied and paid into the hands of a special Receiver, to be appointed by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, for the purposesof this Act, and to levy, raise, secure, and cause to be sold, all such goods, debts, and personal chattels and estates, within this Province, as are or may be vested in His Majesty, in the manner herein before mentioned, and to sell the said real estates, after the claims relating to such estates respectively, shall be determined, or otherwise dispose of the same, in the manner herein after provided, and out of the rents or produce of the said estates, real or personal, to cause payment or satisfaction to be made of such sums of money as shall be due to any claimants upon the same, and in the execution of the premises, the said Commissioners shall and may proceed, in virtue of the powers hereby granted to them, in a summary way, without the formalities practised or observed in Courts of Justice.

General duties of commissioners under this Act.

Mode of proceeding:

V. And to the end that all and every of the said estates and interest hereby vested or to be vested in the said Commissioners may be duly published, so as all persons having interest therein, may have notice thereof, in such manner as that they may enter their claims upon the same, in manner herein after provided; Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Commissioners shall cause the Register or books herein appointed to be kept of the names of all persons attainted of High Treason, committed during the time aforesaid, and of all real and personal estates and interests by this Act vested or to be vested in the said Commissioners, or an authentic copy or duplicate of such books, to be kept by a proper officer, who shall make the same open and patent to the inspection of all persons who shall demand the same, between the hours of ten and two, of any lawful day, without any fee or reward, and in the said books shall be expressed the dates when the entries of the several estates, real or personal, that shall be there entered, were

Register of forfeited estates kept by commissioners to be open to public inspection.