

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That no  
 2 Judgment, Order, Rule, or Act of the said  
 Courts of Queen's Bench in the several Dis-  
 4 tricts of Lower Canada, respectively, in  
 criminal matters, and appertaining to the  
 6 criminal jurisdiction of the said Courts,  
 legally pronounced, given, had or done  
 8 before the time when this Act shall come  
 fully into effect, shall be hereby avoided,  
 10 but shall remain in full force and effect; nor  
 shall any indictment, information, suit or  
 12 proceeding depending in the said Courts of  
 Queen's Bench respectively, be abated, dis-  
 14 continued or annulled, but the same shall  
 be transferred in their then present condi-  
 16 tion respectively, to, and shall subsist and  
 depend in the Court hereby established on  
 18 the Crown side thereof, severally and respec-  
 tively to all intents and purposes as if they  
 20 had been respectively commenced, brought,  
 found, presented or recorded in the said  
 22 Court; and the said Court shall have full  
 power and authority to proceed accordingly  
 24 on and in all such indictments, informations,  
 suits and proceedings, to judgment and exe-  
 26 cution, and to make such rules and orders  
 respecting the same, as the said Courts of  
 28 Queen's Bench might have made, or as the  
 Court hereby established is hereby em-  
 30 powered to make in cases, suits and pro-  
 ceedings commenced in or depending before  
 32 the said Court.

Judgments,  
 &c. of former  
 Courts not to  
 be avoided.

Suits and pro-  
 ceedings to be  
 continued in  
 the Court  
 hereby estab-  
 lished.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That every  
 34 writ or process, recognizance or other do-  
 cument, which is or shall be returnable into  
 36 any of the several Courts of Queen's Bench  
 as now constituted, (except as aforesaid the  
 38 Court of Queen's Bench for the District of  
 Gaspé) in the exercise of their juris-  
 40 diction in criminal matters, or by which any  
 party shall be bound to appear or attend at  
 42 any such Court of Queen's Bench, or any  
 thing shall have been ordered to be done  
 44 in or before any such Court, in the exercise  
 of its jurisdiction aforesaid, on any day sub-  
 46 sequent to the time when this Act shall  
 come fully into effect, shall be returned  
 48 into the Court hereby established, on the

When Process  
 issued out of  
 former Courts  
 shall be re-  
 turnable after  
 this Act shall  
 be in force.