

C A P. VII.

An ACT or ORDINANCE

To reward Samuel Hopkins, and Angus Macdonell and others, for their Invention of two new and improved Methods of making Pot and Pearl Ashes.

[Private Act.]

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C A P. I.

An ORDINANCE,

Relating to Causes in Appeal to the Court of the Governor and Executive Council.

[Repealed by Prov. Stat. 34th. GEO. III. c. 6. s. 42.]

C A P. II.

An ORDINANCE

To facilitate the Production of Parol Proof in Civil Causes.

WHEREAS Provision was lately made by an Ordinance of the Province of Quebec, for the examination of remote Witnesses, by an Act intituled, "An Act to continue and amend the Acts or Ordinances herein mentioned, respecting the practice of the Law in Civil Causes," passed in the thirty-first Year of His Majesty's Reign; and whereas it may be doubted whether Commissions of the like nature may issue for the examination of Witnesses within the Province, and especially within the County or District where the Cause was instituted and is pending and undetermined, and the requirement of the personal attendance at Court of all Witnesses, may be injurious to Suits and Witnesses, and by obstructing the progress of industry, hurtful to the public interest, and it conflicts with the English course in Chancery, and with the course of Courts in this Country, prior to the conquest, to take the examination of Witnesses in Actions and Controversies, by Commission in various instances; be it therefore ordained by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and the Executive Council of the Province of Lower-Canada, and it is accordingly declared and ordained by the authority of the same, that the like Powers now enjoyed by the Courts of Common Pleas for issuing Commissions for the examination of Witnesses in remote places, may be exercised for issuing Commissions for examinations in any part of the Province, and even in the same District or County where the Cause may be pending, if the Witness to be examined may be resident at thirty miles and upwards from the Court-