Nº 16.

BILL

To partition the Common of the Seigniory of Varennes among the Persons having Commonage in the said Common.

HEREAS divers inhabitants of the Seigniory of Varennes in the County of Surrey, are Proprietors in common of a certain. tract of Land in the said Seigniory, commonly called the Common of Varennes, and whereas the said Proprietors have, by petition, represented that it would be more for the benefit of all persons concerned in the said Common, that partition of the same should be made among them, according to their respective rights therein, and that each of them should hold and dispose of his ascertained and divided portion of the said Common, which they are unable to effect without the sanction of the Legislature; -May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain " parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year " of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, " An Act " for making more effectual provision for the "Government of the Province of Quebec in "North-America;" and to make further pro-" vision for the government of the said Pro-"vince,"—And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that immediately after the passing of this Act, it shall be the duty of the Trustees for the said Common, or in default of them, it shall be lawful for any five of the Coproprietors thereof, to cause to be published at the door of the Church of the Parish of Varennes, after Divine Service, notice requiring the Co-proprietors of the said Common, to meet within a space of time which shall not be less than seven days thereafter, at such place as shall then be appointed in order to proceed to choose a proper person as Commissioner for the purposes of this Act, not having any right in the said Common nor being allied to any of the Co-proprietors of the same, in manner hereinafter-mentioned.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that on the day and at the place so appointed by the said notice, it shall be lawful for the Co-proprietors in the said Common, as soon as a majority of them shall have assembled, to proceed to choose the said Commissioner by a majority of votes, of which choice,