

ernment, and to plunder and destroy the property of the Loyal Inhabitants, has been happily subdued, but not until the Insurgents had committed acts of murder, robbery, and arson, and other offences, and had occasioned much alarm for the peace and security of the Province. And whereas, immediately before and during the said insurrection and in consequence thereof, it became necessary for Justices of the Peace, Officers of Militia, and other persons in authority in this Province, and for divers loyal subjects of Her Majesty to take all possible measures for apprehending, securing, detaining, and bringing to justice persons charged or suspected of joining in the said insurrection, or of aiding or abetting the same, or of other treasonable practices, dangerous to the peace of this Province, and the security of its Government, and also for the purpose of defeating and putting down the said insurrection, and for maintaining the peace of this Province, and securing the lives and properties of the Inhabitants thereof; and whereas some of such acts may not have been strictly legal and formal, but it is nevertheless just and necessary that the persons, doing or advising the same, should be kept harmless, and indemnified against actions at Law, or other proceedings with which they might otherwise be harassed. Be it therefore Ordained and Enacted by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of this Province, authorized to execute the Commission of the Governor thereof, with the advice and consent of the Special Council for the affairs of the said Province, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of the Act passed by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the first Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "*An Act to make temporary provision for the Government of Lower Canada,*" and it is hereby Ordained and Enacted, that all personal actions, suits, indictments, and prosecutions, heretofore brought, commenced, preferred, or exhibited, or now depending, or to be hereafter brought, commenced, preferred, or exhibited, and all judgments thereupon obtained, if any such there be or shall be, and all proceedings whatsoever against any person or persons, for or on account of any act, matter, or thing, by him or them done or commanded, ordered, or directed, or advised to be done since the first day of October, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, for apprehending, committing, imprisoning, detaining in custody, or discharging any person or persons, who hath or have been imprisoned or detained in custody, for High Treason, Suspicion of High Treason, or Treasonable Practices, or for apprehending, committing, imprisoning or detaining in custody, any person or persons who hath or have been imprisoned, or detained in custody, for having been so tumultuously, unlawfully, and traitorously assembled in arms, as aforesaid, or for dispersing by force of arms any persons assembled as aforesaid, or for suppressing the said traitorous insurrection, and discovering and guarding against any other of the treasonable proceedings aforesaid, or for discovering and bringing to justice the persons concerned therein, or for maintaining the public peace, and the security of

All persons indemnified for acts by them committed or advised since the 1st Octr. 1837, in putting down the rebellion.