precepts for attendance of persons and production of papers, books, &c.

Government of this Province, may direct, with or without adjournment, and to send their precept or precepts under their hand and seal, for any person or persons whatsoever, and for such books, papers, writings, or records, as they judge necessary for their information, or the execution of the powers vested in the said Commissioners, by this Act.

Governor may appoint a clerk and a messenger. V. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, by an instrument under his hand and seal at Arms, to appoint a Clerk and Messenger to the said Commissioners, and the same from time to time to remove, and others to appoint in their stead.

Commissioners to report proseedings from time to time. VI. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners shall, from time to time, at their discretion, or as often as they shall be thereunto required, and as soon as possible after the determination of their examination and proceedings, by virtue of this Act, and without any further requisition, furnish an account of their proceedings in writing to the Governor, or person administering the Government of the said Province for the time being.

Persons giving false evidence before Commissioners to be proceeded against as for perjury.

VII. Any be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that in case any person or persons upon examination upon oath before the said Commissioners respectively as before mentioned, shall wilfully and corruptly give false evidence, every such person, so offending, and being duly convicted thereof, shall be, and is, and are hereby declared to be subject and liable to such pains and penalties, as by any Law, now in being, persons convicted of wilful and corrupt perjury are subject and liable.

Clerk to re-

VIII. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Clerk of the said Commissioners shall, and he is hereby required faithfully to execute and perform the trust in him reposed, without taking any thing for such service, other than such salary and reward, as the Governor, or person administering the Government for the time being, shall think fit to direct and appoint in that behalf.

J. COLBORNE.

Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, and passed in Special Council, under the Great Seal of the Province, at the Government House, in the City of Montreal, the twenty-sixth day of April, in the first year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace