

Magistrate nearest to the usual Residence of the Parties, or either of them, or before some other Person duly authorized by the Governor, or Officer administering the Government at *Newfoundland*, to administer such Oath.

Act not to affect Marriages already contracted, or Quakers or Jews.

II. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to Marriages already had, or that shall be had previous to the First Day of *January* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and eighteen: Provided also, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to any Marriages amongst the People called *Quakers*, or amongst the Persons professing the Jewish Religion, where both the Parties to any such Marriage shall be of the People called *Quakers*, or Persons professing the Jewish Religion respectively.

Act may be altered this Session.

III. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

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