

## BILL.

An Act for preventing mischiefs arising from the printing and publishing of Newspapers, Pamphlets and papers of like nature, by persons not known, in Upper Canada.

**W**HEREAS it is expedient that the regulations touching publications of the nature herein mentioned should be uniform throughout this Province, and the provisions hereinafter made are, and have been for a long time, in force in Lower Canada, and have been found highly beneficial: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

Preamble.

That no person shall, after thirty days from the passing of this Act, print or publish, or cause to be printed or published in Upper Canada, any newspaper, pamphlet or other paper containing public news or intelligence; or serving the purpose of a newspaper, or for the purpose of posting or general circulation in detached pieces as such newspaper, until an affidavit or affidavits, or affirmation or affirmations, made and signed as hereinafter mentioned, shall be delivered to the Clerk of the Peace for the County or Union of Counties in which such newspaper or pamphlet or other paper shall be printed or published, containing the several matters and things hereinafter for that purpose specified and mentioned.

Affidavits to be made by printers and publishers of newspapers, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That such affidavit or affidavits, affirmation or affirmations, shall specify and set forth the real and true names, additions, descriptions and places of abode of all and every person or persons who is or are, or who is or are intended to be, the printer and printers, publisher and publishers of the newspaper, pamphlet or other paper mentioned in such affidavit or affidavits, affirmation or affirmations, and of all the proprietors of the same, if the number of such proprietors, exclusive of the printer and publisher, does not exceed two, and in case the same shall exceed such number, then of the proprietor if there be only one, or two such proprietors if there be two or more, exclusive of the printer or publisher, and also the amount of the proportional shares of such proprietors in the property of the newspaper, pamphlet or other paper, and the true description of the house or building wherein such newspaper, pamphlet or other paper is intended to be printed, and likewise the title of such newspaper, pamphlet or other paper.

Affidavit to set forth names and additions of printers, publishers and proprietors, with description of title and place of publication.