

gislative Council and Assembly of the Province of *Lower-Canada*, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of the 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 for making further provision for the Government of the said Province :* And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that so much of the said first mentioned Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty’s Reign as in any manner relates to the establishment, erection and constitution of the Courts of King’s Bench for the Districts of *Quebec, Montreal* and *Three Rivers*, and to the establishment, erection and constitution of the Provincial Court for the District of *Three-Rivers*, and to the several and respective Jurisdictions of such Courts of King’s Bench and of such Provincial Court as aforesaid, as well Civil as Criminal, and to the establishment, erection and constitution of the Court of Appeals of this Province, and to the Jurisdiction thereof, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

Repeal of such part of the Act of the 34th Geo. III. as relates to the establishment of the Courts of King’s Bench &c.

A Court of King’s Bench established to consist of the two Chief Justices and eight *puisnés* Justices.

II. And be it further enacted, that there shall be established, constituted and erected, and there is hereby established, constituted and erected, in this Province of *Lower-Canada*, a Court, to be called the Court of King’s Bench of and for the Province of *Lower-Canada*, which shall consist of His Majesty’s Chief Justice of the said Province, the Chief Justice of the District of *Montreal*, and eight *Puisné* Justices, and shall have, hold and exercise Jurisdiction, as well in civil as in criminal matters, in and over the whole of the said Province of *Lower-Canada*, in the manner herein after enacted ; and the said Court of King’s Bench so constituted, and the Justices thereof shall have, hold and exercise original Jurisdiction, and full power and authority to take cognizance of, hear, try and determine in due course of Law, all common or civil pleas, and civil causes and matters whatsoever, and also all pleas of the Crown, and crimes, and criminal offences whatever, which at the passing of this Act were by Law cognizable in the superior civil and in the criminal Terms of the then existing Courts of King’s Bench, in the said Province of *Lower-Canada*, or in any or either of them, and all things incident thereto ; and to this end the said Court of King’s Bench hereby constituted, and the Justices thereof severally and respectively, shall be and they are hereby, and in the manner herein after enacted, vested without any diminution whatever, and

Said Court to have the same powers, jurisdiction and authorities as vested in the Courts of King’s Bench &c.