BILL.

An Act to authorize Defendants make full defence in certain cases in actions upon Foreign Judgments.

HEREAS it is expedient to authorize Preumble. Defendants to make full defence in certain cases in actions upon foreign Judgments: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

5 And it is hereby enacted by the authority of What evithe same, That from and after the passing of adduced under this Act, in any action hereafter to be tried certain pleas. in any Court of Law in this Province, for in an action in any Court of Law in this Province, for upon a judgthe recovery of the amount of any Judgment ment obtained 10 obtained in any Foreign Country against country under any Inhabitant of this Province, who at the certain cirtime of such action brought, in which the said Judgment may have been obtained, shall have been resident in this Province, and 15 when the original cause of such action upon which such Judgment shall have been obtained arose in this Province,—the Defendant or Defendants upon the trial of such cause. under a plea of the general issue, nil debet 20 or non assumpsit, may go into evidence of the original cause of action and defence, and try the merits thereof, or may plead any matter of defence that might or could have been pleaded, had the action in which such 25 Foreign Judgment was obtained been tried in this Province; any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.