

SAMUEL SMITH, ESQUIRE, ADMINISTRATOR.

Certificates of the Mayor, or Chief Magistrate of any City, Borough, or Town Corporate, required by this Act, not to be evidence without the Seal of such City, &c.

V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid.* That no Certificate to be Granted as aforesaid, by any such Mayor or Chief Magistrate of any City, Borough or Town Corporate in Great Britain or Ireland, or of any Colony belonging to the Crown of Great Britain, shall have any force or effect, unless the Seal of such City, Borough, or Town Corporate shall be affixed thereto.

CHAP. IX.

An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Thirty-fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to ascertain the Eligibility of Persons to be returned to the House of Assembly, and also to repeal an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled an Act to repeal and amend part of an Act passed in the Thirty-fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled An Act to ascertain the Eligibility of Persons to be returned to the House of Assembly" and to make further and more effectual provision for securing the Freedom and Constitution of the Parliament of this Province.

[Passed 1st April, 1813.]

Preamble.

33. Geo. 3. Ch. 2.

34. Geo. 3. Ch. 4.

Repealed.

WHEREAS it is most desirable that the Eligibility of Persons to be proposed as Candidates for the representation of the several Towns, Ridings and Counties of this Province, in the Commons House of Assembly, should be clearly and expressly defined. AND WHEREAS the provisions of an Act passed in the Thirty-fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to ascertain the Eligibility of Persons to be returned to the House of Assembly, and also of an Act passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to repeal and amend part of an Act passed in the Thirty-fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to ascertain the Eligibility of Persons to be returned to the House of Assembly" have not attained that object; Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the Fourteenth Year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, "An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province," and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, each of the said Acts respectively shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

In what cases Candidates are required to have resided in this Province for 7 years next before the Election at which they are proposed.

Penalty for any person disqualified under the above section offering himself as a Candidate.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That from and after the passing of this Act, no Person or Persons of what condition soever, having been a *Bona Fide* Resident in any Country, not being under His Majesty's Government; or who shall have taken the Oath of Allegiance to any other State or Power, shall be eligible to be proposed, chosen or Elected, as a Representative or Representatives of any City, County, Riding or Borough, or other place of any description now or hereafter sending a Representative or Representatives to the House of Assembly of this Province, until such Person or Persons shall have resided in this Province for and during the space of Seven Years next before the Election at which any such Person or Persons shall be proposed, elected or chosen as a Representative or Representatives as aforesaid.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any Person or Persons as aforesaid, not having resided in this Province for Seven Years as aforesaid, shall propose or offer himself or themselves as a Candidate or Candidates to become a Representative or Representatives of any County, City, Riding or Borough, or other place now or hereafter sending a Representative or Representatives, and shall be thereof