

the said Lands by summons, and in case of refusal to apply for leave to the Governor and Lieutenant General and Intendant of the said Country, whom His Majesty enjoins to grant to the said Inhabitants the Lands by them demanded in the said Seigniories, upon the same dues as are imposed upon the other Lands granted in the said Seigniories, which dues shall be paid by the new Inhabitants into the hands of the Receiver of His Majesty's Domain in the City of Quebec, without the Seigniors having any claim therefor upon them whatsoever be their nature : And whereas it is right that the powers and authorities which might be exercised by the Governor and Lieutenant General and Intendant of New France or Canada by virtue of the said Decree or *Arrêt*, should be exercised by His Majesty's Courts of King's Bench for the several Districts of this Province, and in order to remove all doubts in this respect : 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 Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an 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 to make further provision for the Government of the said Province" and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that from and after the passing of this Act, all and singular the jurisdiction, powers and authorities given and granted to the Governor and Lieutenant General and the Intendant of New France or Canada, by the aforesaid Decree or *Arrêt* of His Most Christian Majesty the King of France, relating to Lands in New France or Canada aforesaid, granted in Seigniori and remaining waste and unconceded by the Seigniors owning the same, bearing date at Marly, the sixth day of July one thousand seven hundred and eleven, shall and may be held and exercised by the several Courts of King's Bench in this Province, within the several and respective Districts in which the said Courts severally hold Pleas and Jurisdiction ; any Law, Usage or Custom, to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Certain Jurisdiction, Powers and Authorities vested in the Courts of King's Bench in this Province.

Not to affect His Majesty's rights &c.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained shall in anywise affect or prejudice the rights of His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, or of any Person or Persons, Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, except such as herein mentioned and intended to be affected.