BILL.

An Act to exclude persons from Offices who have been concerned in creating them, or increasing their Emoluments.

THEREAS it is expedient to exclude persons from Preamble. Offices who have been concerned in creating them, or increasing the emoluments thereof, and to provide against the corrupt influence which the absence of such 5 exclusion might have on the human mind: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

That from and after the passing of this Act, no Member As to Memof the Legislative Assembly of this Province shall, during bers of the Assembly. the time for which he was or shall be elected, or within 10 one year after the expiration of such time, be appointed to or accept any civil office in this Province, which shall have been created, or the emoluments whereof shall have been increased during such time.

II. And be it enacted, That no Member of the Legislative As to Mem-15 Council of this Province shall, at any time, be appointed bers of the Legislative to or accept any office in this Province, which shall have Council been created or the emoluments whereof shall have been increased during the four years next preceding such time.

III. And be it enacted, That no person then being or As to Memhaving been a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Executive Council in this Province, shall hereafter be appointed to Council. or accept any office in this Province, while he shall continue to be or for twelve months after he shall have 25 ceased to be such Executive Councillor as aforesaid, unless the office to which he shall be appointed be one Offices excepwhich can lawfully be held by a Member of the Legisla-conditions. tive Assembly, and he be appointed with the intention that he shall become or remain a Member of the Execu-30 tive Council, in which case he shall not, under such appointment, hold such office after he shall cease to be a

Member of the Executive Council, nor at any time after twelve months shall have clapsed during which be shall not have been a Member either of the Legislative Coun-35 cil or of the Legislative Assembly.

IV. And be it declared and enacted, That to accept or Contravention hold any office, contrary to the provisions of this Act, meanor. shall be a misdemeanor.