

An Act respecting the Court of Queen's Bench in Lower Canada.

WHEREAS it is expedient to explain section thirteen of chapter seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, in the manner hereinafter provided: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, declares and enacts as follows:

1. The following proviso is hereby added to the said section thirteen of the said chapter, and shall be read as part of the said section, and shall be construed and have effect as if it had originally formed part thereof:

“ Provided always, that no Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench who has been absent or whose leave of absence has expired, has been, or shall be, disqualified from sitting in any case after his return or after his leave of absence shall have expired, by reason of any Assistant Judge, or Judge *ad hoc*, having been named in his place, or in such case, provided that such Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench was competent to sit in such case before absenting himself or obtaining leave of absence.”