Justice in the said Province, or in any ministerial proceeding of or before any Judge, or in any proceeding before a Judicial Officer in any suit or proceeding in any such Court 5 save as hereinbefore excepted, or in any proceeding by way of summary proceeding before any Justice or Justices of the Peace in the said Province, or to any oath or affirmation required to be taken in virtue or 10 under the provisions of any law of Lower Canada or Upper Canada, or of this Province now or hereafter to be in force touching the election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, 15 but that such oath of allegiance, and such oath, solemn affirmation and affidavit, shall continue to be required and to be administered, taken and made as well and in the same manner as if this Act had not been 20 passed.

IX. And be it enacted, That from and af- Provision withter the passing of this Act, in all cases in respect to cer-tain affidavits which by any Act or Statute in force in Up-which are now per Canada, affidavits are required to be required. 25 sworn before any Chief Justice or Judge of any Supreme Court of any Colony belonging to the Crown of Great Britain, such affidavits shall be no longer required to be taken in Lower Canada, and a solemn declaration 30 or affirmation as provided by this act shall be substituted therefor, which shall be received by any Judge of any Court of civil jurisdiction in Lower Canada or before any Commissioner duly appointed to take affidavits in 35 Lower Canada; and if a Commissioner shall receive such declaration or affirmation, a certificate of verification of his appointment and official signature to the said declaration or affirmation as such Commissioner, sub-40 scribed by any Chief Justice or Judge aforesaid, shall operate to give the same effect and validity to the said declaration and affirmation as if the same had been received by such Chief Justice or Judge aforesaid.