

ANNO SEPTIMO

REGINÆ. VICTORIÆ

CAP. LXVI.

An Act to incorporate certain persons carrying on the business of Banking in the City of Montreal, under the name of "La Banque du Peuple."

9th December, 1843.-Presented for Her Majesty's Assent, and reserved " for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon." 23d May, 1844.—Assented by Her Majesty, in Privy Council. 27th June, 1844.—The Royal Assent signified by the Proclamation of His

Excellency SIR CHARLES THEOPHILUS METCALFE, Governor General.

WHEREAS Louis Michel Viger, Jacob DeWitt, John Preamble. Donegani, Pierre Beaub. Augustin Tulloch, Hosea Ballou Smith, Romuald Trudeau, Pierre Jodoin, all of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, Esquires,-Alexis Sauvageau, of Laprairie, in the District of Montreal, Esquire,-Thimothé Franchère, of St. Mathias, in the District of Montreal, Esquire,-Joseph Frederick Allard, of Chambly, in the District of Montreal, Esquire, and Alexis Edouard Montmarquet, of Carillon, in the District of Montreal, Esquire, by their humble petition in this behalf, have represented that they have for many years carried on the Business of Banking at the City of Montreal, under the name or firm of Viger, DeWitt and Company, under and by virtue of certain articles of copartnership entered into between them: And whereas the establishment of their said Bank, conducted according to the principles of their said copartnership, has been attended with the most beneficial results to Trade and Agriculture: And whereas it is expedient for the better effecting the