



CHAPTER 112.

An Act respecting Oaths of Allegiance.

A. D. 1886.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :—

1. The following form and no other, shall be that of the oath of allegiance to be administered to and taken by every person in Canada, who, either of his own accord or in compliance with any lawful requirement made on him, or in obedience to the directions of any Act or law in force in Canada, save and except "*The British North America Act, 1867,*" desires to take an oath of allegiance, that is to say :

Form of oath prescribed.

" I, A. B., do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria (*or reigning Sovereign for the time being*) as lawful Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of this Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to the said Kingdom, and that I will defend Her to the utmost of my power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempts whatsoever, which shall be made against Her person, crown and dignity, and that I will do my utmost endeavor to disclose and make known to Her Majesty, Her heirs or successors, all treasons or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against Her or any of them ; and all this I do swear without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation. So help me God."

The form.

And all justices of the peace and other officers lawfully authorized, either by virtue of their office or special commission from the Crown for that purpose, may administer the oath of allegiance under this Act in any part of Canada ; and it shall not be necessary for any person appointed to any civil office in Canada, or for any mayor or other officer or member of any corporation therein, or for any person admitted, called or received as a barrister, advocate, notary public, attorney, solicitor or proctor, to make any declaration or subscription, or to take or subscribe any other oath than the oath aforesaid, and also such oath for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, or for the due exercise of his profession or calling as is required by any law in that behalf.

Who may administer it.

No other declaration or subscription necessary.

Oath of office to be taken.

31 V., c. 36, s. 3.