with full power and authority to take cog-
2 nizance of, hear, try and determine in the
first instance and in due course of law, all
4 civil pleas, causes and matters whatsoever,
as well those in which the Crown may be a
6 party, as all others, excepting those purely   Exception.
of Admiralty jurisdiction, which shall be
8 and remain subject to that jurisdiction, and
excepting also those over which original
10 jurisdiction is hereinafter given to the Cir-
cuit Court.

12   VII. And be it enacted, That excepting   Superintend-
the Court of Queen's Bench established, as   ing and re-
                                               forming power
14 aforesaid, by an Act of this session, all   over other
Courts and Magistrates, and all other per-   Courts, &c.
16 sons, and bodies politic and corporate
within Lower Canada, shall be subject
18 to the superintending and reforming power,
order and control of the said Superior
20 Court and of the Judges thereof, in such
sort, manner and form as Courts and
22 Magistrates and other persons, and bodies
politic and corporate, in Lower Canada,
24 shall immediately before the time when
this Act shall come fully into effect, be
26 subject to the superintending and re-
forming power, order and control of the
28 several Courts of Queen's Bench, and of
the Judges thereof, in Term and in vacation;
30 and such superintending and reforming
power and control are hereby vested in and
32 assigned to the said Superior Court, and
the Judges thereof: and all appeals and evo-   Appeals and
34 cations from any inferior Court or jurisdiction   evocations to
                                               former Courts
which immediately before the said time shall   of Q. B.
36 lie to any one of the said several Courts of
Queen's Bench, or the Judges thereof, shall
38 thereafter lie to the said Superior Court, or
the Judges thereof, unless it be otherwise
40 provided by this Act or by some Act of this
Session.

42   VIII. And be it enacted, That all and   Powers of Q.
                                          B. in civil
every the powers, authorities and jurisdic-   matters trans-
44 tions in pleas, causes, matters and things of   ferred to S.
                                          Court.
a civil and not criminal nature, of what
46 kind soever, which immediately before the

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