

CXIV. If any bankrupt (being within this Province at the date of the Commission) shall not, before three o'clock of the afternoon of the day appointed for the first meeting of his creditors, after notice thereof, in writing, to be left at the usual place of abode of such bankrupt, or 5 personal notice, in case of such bankrupt being then in prison, and notice given in the Canada Gazette of the Commission, appear in Court, and submit to be examined before the Court, from time to time, upon oath, or if any such bankrupt, upon such examination, shall not discover all his real or personal estate, and how and to whom, upon what 10 consideration, and when he disposed of, assigned or transferred any of such estate, and all books, deeds, papers and writings, relative thereto (except such part as shall have been really and *bona fide* before sold or disposed of in the way of his trade, or laid out in ordinary expenses of his family); or if any such bankrupt shall not, upon such examina- 15 tion, deliver up to the Court all such part of his estate, and all books, deeds, papers and writings relating thereunto, as shall still remain in his possession, custody or power, (except the necessary wearing apparel of himself, his wife and children); or if any bankrupt shall remove, conceal or embezzle any part of such estate of the value of ten pounds or 20 upwards, or any books of account, deeds, papers, or other writings relating thereto, with intent to defraud his creditors, every such bankrupt shall be deemed guilty of felony, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, in any common gaol, for a term not to exceed *one year*, or in the Provincial Penitentiary, 25 for any term not less than *three* nor more than *five years*.

Punishment of bankrupts neglecting to appear or concealing property, &c.

CXV. If any bankrupt shall, after any act of bankruptcy committed, or in contemplation of bankruptcy, or with intent to defeat the object of this Act, have destroyed, altered, mutilated or falsified any of his books, papers, writings or securities, or made or been privy to the 30 making of any false or fraudulent entries in any book of account or other document, with intent to defraud his creditors; every such bankrupt shall be deemed to be guilty of felony, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, in any common gaol, for a term not to exceed one year, or in the Provin- 35 cial Penitentiary for any term not less than three nor more than five years.

Bankrupt altering his books.

CXVI. If any bankrupt shall, within three months next preceding the date of the Commission against him, under the false color or pretence of carrying on business, or dealing in the ordinary course of trade, have 40 obtained, on credit, from any other person, any goods or chattels, with intent to defraud the owner thereof, or if any such bankrupt shall, within the time aforesaid, with such intent, have removed, concealed or disposed of any goods or chattels so obtained, knowing them to have been so obtained, every such person so offending shall be deemed guilty 45 of a misdemeanor, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable to imprisonment in any common gaol in this Province, for any term not exceeding one year, as the Court before whom he shall be tried shall think fit.

Bankrupt fraudulently obtaining credit.

CXVII. In all cases where it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction 50 of the Court, that there is reason to suspect and believe that property of any bankrupt is concealed in any house, premises, or other place not belonging to such bankrupt, such Court is hereby directed and authorised

Power to search for concealed property.