

received thereupon: Provided always, that such commission shall in no wise exceed the rate of one per centum upon the amount of such Bill or Note.

Proviso,—not to exceed 1 per cent.

- 5 XXX. And be it enacted, That in every action and claim founded upon a Bill of Exchange or Promissory Note, any party to which is designated on such Bill or Note by the initial letters or some contraction of his
- 10 Christian name or first name or names, it shall be sufficient in affidavit to hold to bail, and in the writ or process and declaration or claim, to designate such person by the same initial letter or letters or contraction of his
- 15 Christian name or first name or names, instead of stating the same in full.

In actions, &c., founded on Bills or Notes, initials, &c., of christian names sufficient.

- 20 XXXI. And be it enacted, That in the investigation of facts in actions and claims founded upon Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, recourse shall be had in all Courts of Law and Equity in the Province, to the laws of evidence established by the laws of England in force at the time of the passing of this Act; Provided always, that
- 25 in Lower Canada, nothing herein contained shall be construed to debar the parties to such actions and claims, from examining each other upon interrogatories *sur faits et articles*, or upon the *serment décisoire*, or to
- 30 debar the Judges of the Courts from deferring to any of the parties to such actions and claims, the oaths known as the *juramentum judiciaire*, or *juramentum suppletorium*, and the *juramentum in litem*.

In investigation of facts in actions on Bills and Notes, recourse to be had to English laws of evidence.

- 35 XXXII. And be it enacted, That in all matters relating to Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes in this Province, not herein specially provided for, reference shall be had to the law of England in force at the time
- 40 of the passing of this Act, which shall be deemed and taken to be in such cases the law of this Province.

With respect to matters not herein specially provided for respecting notes or Bills, reference to be had to Law of England.