

C H A P. IX.

An ACT to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor, to Nominate and Appoint certain Commissioners for the Purposes herein mentioned.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

Preamble.

WE his majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the members of the house of Assembly of the province of Upper-Canada, having taken into our serious consideration the message communicated to us by your excellency, together with the resolution of the house of Assembly of his majesty's province of Lower-Canada, bearing date the sixth day of May, of the present year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, and being anxious to establish that generous intercourse which should always subsist between members of the same empire, do most earnestly request your excellency, that for the mutual convenience and benefit of his majesty's subjects within the provinces of Upper-Canada and Lower-Canada, and in order to promote and confirm a good correspondence between them, it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the king's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative council and assembly of the province of Upper-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an act passed in the parliament of Great-Britain, entitled an act to repeal certain parts of an act passed in the fourteenth year of his majesty's reign, entitled "An act for making more effectual provision for the government of the province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the government of the said province," and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the governor, lieutenant-governor or person administering his majesty's government in this province, from time to time, by letters patent under the great seal of the province, to commission, authorize and empower three able and discreet persons, to treat, consult and agree with an equal number of persons to be duly authorized for that purpose, by a power to be granted by an act of the legislature of his majesty's province of Lower-Canada, of and concerning the establishing such regulations as may regard the collection of duties or payment of drawbacks to be imposed or allowed on goods passing from one province into the other, by the legislature of each province respectively, and of and concerning any proportion to be received and paid, of any equal duties already imposed or hereafter to be imposed by the said legislatures respectively, on any article or commodity passing from one province into the other, and of and concerning any regulations, provisions, matters and things which may regard the commerce, manufactures or produce of the said province.

Three fit persons to be commissioned to treat & agree in behalf of this province,

with a like number of persons in behalf of the province of Lower Canada of & concerning regulations of mutual expediency,

But their proceedings to have no force or effect until confirmed by the legislature.

Determination of this act.

II. *Provided always, and be it enacted and declared,* That no regulation, provision, matter or thing so proposed, treated, consulted or agreed, shall have any other force or effect, or be carried further into execution, until the same shall have been confirmed by the legislature of this province.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall continue in force until the first day of August, which will be in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and no longer.