

Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada, or either of them, or of the jurisdiction of any of the Courts established in those Provinces, or within the limits of any Civil Government of the United States of America, and are therefore not cognizable by any jurisdiction whatever, and by reason thereof, great crimes and offences have gone and may hereafter go unpunished, and greatly increase: For remedy whereof, may it please your Majesty that it may be enacted, and Be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, all offences committed within any of the Indian Territories, or parts of America not within the limits of either of the said Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada, or of any Civil Government of the United States of America, shall be, and be deemed to be, offences of the same nature, and shall be tried in the same manner and subject to the same punishment, as if the same had been committed within the Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada.

Offences committed within any of the Indian Territories, &c. shall be tried in the same manner as if committed within the Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government for the time being of the Province of Lower Canada, by Commission under his Hand and Seal, to authorize and empower any person or persons wheresoever resident or being at the time, to act as Civil Magistrates and Justices of the Peace for any of the Indian Territories or parts of America not within the limits of either of the said Provinces, or of any Civil Government of the United States of America, as well as within the limits of either of the said Provinces, either upon informations taken or given within the said Provinces of Lower or Upper Canada, or out of the said Provinces, in any part of the Indian Territories or parts of America aforesaid, for the purpose only of hearing crimes and offences, and committing any person or persons guilty of any crime or offence to safe custody, in order to his or their being conveyed to the said Province of Lower Canada, to be dealt with according to Law; and it shall be lawful for any person or persons whatever, to apprehend and take before any persons so commissioned, as aforesaid, or to apprehend and convey, or cause to be safely conveyed, with all convenient speed, to the Province of Lower Canada, any person or persons guilty of any crime or offence, there to be delivered into safe custody for the purpose of being dealt with according to Law.

The Governor of Lower Canada may empower persons to act as Justices for the Indian Territories, &c. for committing offenders till conveyed to Canada for trial, &c

III. *And be it further enacted*, That every such offender may and shall be prosecuted and tried in the Courts of the Province of Lower Canada, (or if the Governor or Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government for the time being, shall, from any of the circumstances of the crime or offence, or the local situation of any of the witnesses for the prosecution or defence, think that justice may more conveniently be administered in relation to such crime or offence in the Province of Upper Canada, and shall, by any instrument under the Great Seal of the Province of Lower Canada, declare the same, then that every such offender may and shall be prosecuted and tried in the Court of the Province of Upper Canada,) in which crimes or offences of the like nature are usually tried, and where the same

Place and manner of trial of such offenders.