

Foreigners
may be natu-
ralized by tak-
ing oath.

I. Any person of foreign birth, having resided in this Island for seven years, shall, upon taking and subscribing the oath hereinafter prescribed, be entitled, within this Island, to all the privileges of a natural born subject of Her Majesty : such oath shall be as follows, *videlicet* :

Form of oath.

“ I, *A. B.*, of do swear that I have resided seven years in this Island, without having during that time, been a stated resident in any foreign country, and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the Sovereign of Great Britain and Ireland, and of this Island, as dependent thereon.”
“ So help me God.”

And shall be administered by a Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in open Court, during the term or terms thereof, and at the same time subscribed by such person in a book to be kept for that purpose.

Certificate of
oath to be en-
tered in Colo-
nial Secretary's
office.

II. The Judge administering such oath shall cause a certificate thereof to be transmitted to the office of the Colonial Secretary, which shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose in his office, and a copy of such certificate, certified under the seal of the Island, shall be sufficient proof thereof, and of such person being admitted to all the privileges aforesaid, in all Courts whatsoever.

Oath falsely
taken to be
perjury.

III. If any person shall falsely swear to the facts of residence, in such oath contained, he shall be guilty of perjury, and liable to the penalty incident thereto, and upon conviction shall forfeit all the privileges to which he might have been entitled under this Act.

Married wo-
men how na-
turalized.

IV. Every woman married to a natural born British subject or naturalized person, shall be deemed to be naturalized, and shall, within this Island, have all the privileges of such subject.

Fees payable
on naturaliza-
tion.

V. A fee of ten shillings shall be paid by the person naturalized, to the Colonial Secretary, for entering the said certificate of the oath in the said book to be kept as aforesaid ; and for every copy of such certificate, certified under the seal of this Island, the sum of sixteen shillings and eight pence, the said fees to be applied to and for the use of the government of this Island.

Suspending
clause.

VI. Nothing in this Act contained shall have any force or effect until Her Majesty's assent thereto shall be signified, and notification thereof shall have been published in the *Royal Gazette* newspaper of this Island.

* * This Act received the royal assent on the 17th November, 1863, and notification thereof was published in the *Royal Gazette* newspaper of this Island, on the 6th day of January, 1864.