

C H A P. XVII.

AN ACT to Incorporate certain persons therein mentioned under the style and title of "The Welland Canal Company."

[PASSED JAN. 19th, 1824.]

WHEREAS George Keefer, Thomas Merritt, George Adams, William Chisholm, Joseph Smith, Paul Shipman, John Decow, William Hamilton Merritt, and others, have petitioned to be incorporated for the purposes of this Act:—

PREAMBLE:

Petition of certain persons to be incorporated.

BE IT THEREFORE 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 the said George Keefer, Thomas Merritt, George Adams, William Chisholm, Joseph Smith, Paul Shipman, John Decow, and William Hamilton Merritt, or either of them, together with all such persons as shall become Stockholders of the Company hereinafter mentioned, shall be, and are hereby ordained, constituted, and declared to be a Body Corporate and Politic, in fact, and by

Incorporation of a Company to be called the Welland Canal Company.