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BILL.

An Act to define the jurisdiction of
Justices in General and Quarter Ses-
sions of the Peace.

Received and read a first time, Wednesday, 25th
June, 1851.

Second reading, Monday, 30th June, 1851.

Mr. Ross.

BILL.

An Act to define the jurisdiction of Justices in
General and Quarter Sessions.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the powers of Jus- Preamble.
tices in General and Quarter Sessions of the
Peace, with respect to the trial of offences, be better
defined: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

5 That after the time when this Act shall come into force, Justices of the
the Justices of the Peace acting in and for any District Peace and
County or Union of Counties in this Province, or the Recorder's
Recorder's Court of any City, shall not, at any Session Courts not to
of the Peace, or of such Recorder's Court, or at any ad- try certain
10 journment thereof, try any person or persons for any offences.
treason, murder, or capital felony, or for any felony which,
when committed by a person not previously convicted of
felony is punishable by imprisonment in the Penitentiary
for a greater period than three years, or for any of the
15 following offences, that is to say:

1. Misprision of treason ;
2. Offences against the Queen's title, prerogative,
person, or Government, or against either House of Par-
liament ;
- 20 3. Offences subject to the penalties of *præmunire* ;
4. Blasphemy, and offences against religion ;
5. Administering or taking unlawful oaths ;
6. Perjury, and subornation of perjury ;
7. Making or suborning any other person to make a
25 false oath, affirmation, or declaration, punishable as per-
jury, or as a misdemeanor ;
8. Forgery ;
9. Unlawfully and maliciously setting fire to crops of
30 corn, grain, or pulse, or to any part of a wood, coppice,
or plantation of trees, or to any heath, gorse, furze, or
fern ;
10. Bigamy, and offences against the laws relating to
marriage ;

11. Abduction of women and girls;

12. Endeavoring to conceal the birth of a child;

13. Offences against any provision of the laws relating to bankrupts and insolvents, or the registration of titles;

14. Composing, printing, or publishing blasphemous, 5
seditious, or defamatory libels;

15. Bribery;

16. Unlawful combinations and conspiracies, except
conspiracies or combinations to commit any offence
which such Justices or Recorder's Court respectively 10
have or has jurisdiction to try when committed by one
person;

17. Stealing, or fraudulently taking, or injuring or
destroying records or documents belonging to any Court
of Law or Equity, or relating to any proceeding therein; 15

18. Stealing, or fraudulently destroying or concealing
wills or testamentary papers, or any document or written
instrument being or containing evidence of the title to any
real estate, or any interest in lands, tenements or here-
ditaments. 20

Act not to
apply to cer-
tain cases.

II. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained
shall extend to any offence committed before the day
appointed for this Act to come into force, and for which
the offender shall before that time have been arrested,
held to bail, indicted or otherwise proceeded against. 25

Commence-
ment of Act.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall come into
force on, from and after the day of
next and not before.