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An Act to extend the Provisions of the Act intituled, "*An Act to amend an Act relating to Masters and Servants in the Country parts of Lower Canada.*"

- WHEREAS** the Act to amend the Act relative to Masters and Servants in the country parts of Lower Canada, 12 Vic., chap. 55, does not apply to Apprentices and Servants, who, after having entered into engagements, refuse to commence the service; and whereas great inconvenience is thereby caused to parties who require to engage Servants in advance, for the purpose of carrying on the Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence—for Lumbering operations, for Farming, or any other legitimate purpose: Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:
- 10** **1.** This Act shall apply to those parts of Lower Canada which are not within the Cities of Quebec, Montreal or Three Rivers, and to no other part of this Province. Preamble.
Local limits of Act extended.
- 15** **2.** Any Apprentice or Servant of either sex, or any Journeyman or Labourer, bound by Act of Indenture or verbally, in presence of one or more witnesses, to serve for one month or for any longer period, who shall refuse or neglect to fulfil such engagement, and to commence his service at the time agreed upon, shall be liable, upon conviction before any Justice of the Peace, to a penalty not exceeding *Five Pounds* currency, or to an imprisonment not exceeding thirty days for each and every such
- 20** offence, or to both. Apprentices, &c., engaging themselves, bound to serve.
- 3.** All complaints founded upon any contravention of this Act, may be heard and determined before any Justice of the Peace, in the manner provided by the eighth section of the Act above cited. Complaints how heard, &c.
- 25** The eleventh and twelfth sections of the said Act shall apply to this Act. Sections 11, 12 of Act 13 Vict., c. 15, to apply.