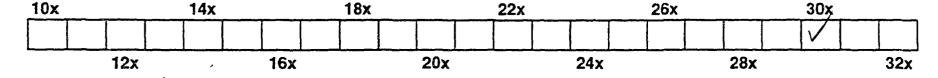
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An Act to facilitate the performance of the duties of Justices of the Peace, out of Sessions, with respect to persons charged with Indictable Offences.

THEREAS it would conduce much to the improve- Preamble. ment of the administration of criminal justice in Lower Canada, if the several statutes and parts of statutes relating to the duties of Her Majesty's Justices of the 5 Peace therein, with respect to persons charged with indictable offences, were consolidated, with such additions and alterations as may be deemed necessary, and that such duties should be clearly defined by positive enactment: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

10 That in all cases where a charge or complaint (A) is For what made before any one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the toe of the of the Peace for any District, that any person has com-Peace may mitted, or is suspected to have committed, any treason, rant or sumfelony or other indictable misdemeanor or offence within mons to cause 15 the limits of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices of the charged there-Peace, or that any person guilty or suspected to be guilty with to be brought before of having committed any such crime or offence elsewhere hm. out of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices, is residing or being, or is suspected to reside or be within the 20 limits of the jurisdiction of such Justice or Justices, then, and in every such case, if the person so charged or complained against shall not then be in custody, it shall be lawful for such Justices of the Peace to issue his or their

warrant (B) to apprehend such person, and to cause him 25 to be brought before such Justice or Justices, or any other Justice or Justices for the same District, to answer such charge or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law: Provided always, that in all In what cases cases it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to the party may 30 whom such charge or complaint shall be preferred, if he instead of or they shall so think fit, instead of issuing in the first rant in the instance his or their warrant to apprehend the person so first instance. charged or complained against, to issue his or their summons (C) directed to such person, requiring him to ap-35 pear before the said Justice or Justices, at the time and

or Justices of the same District as may then be there, and If the sumif, after being served with such summons in manner here-mons be not obeyed then a inafter mentioned, he shall fail to appear at such time and warrant may 40 place, in obedience to such summons, then, and in every be issued.

place to be therein mentioned, or before such other Justice

tice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, may issue his or their warrant (D) to apprehend such person so charged or complained against, and cause such person to be brought before him or them, or before some other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, to answer to the said charge or complaint, and to be further dealt with according to law; Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall prevent any Justice or Justices of the Peace from issuing the warrant hereinbefore first mentioned, at any time before or after 10 the time mentioned in such summons for the appearance of the said accused party.

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Warrant to apprehend a party against whom an indictment is found.

II. And be it enacted, That when any indictment shall be found by the Grand Jury in any Court of Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery, or in any Court of 15 General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, against any person who shall then be at large, and whether such person shall be bound by any recognizance to appear to answer to any such charge or not, the person who shall act as Clerk of the Crown at such Court of Over and Ter-90 miner, or Gaol Delivery, or as Clerk of the Peace at such Sessions at which the said indictment shall be found, shall at any time afterwards after the end of the Sessions of Over and Terminer, or Gaol Delivery, or Sessions of the Peace, at which such indictment shall have been 25 found, upon application of the Prosecutor, or of any person on his behalf, and on payment of a fee of one shilling, if such person shall not have already appeared and pleaded to such indictment, grant unto such Prosecutor or person a certificate (F) of such indictment hav- 30 ing been found; and upon production of such certificate to any Justice or Justices of the Peace for the District in which the offence shall in such indictment be alleged to have been committed, or in which the person indicted in and by such indictment shall reside or be, or be supposed 35 or suspected to reside or be, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he or they are hereby required to issue his or their warrant (G) to apprehend such person so indicted, and to cause him to be brought before such Justice or Justices or any other Justice or Justices 40 for the same District, to be dealt with according to law; and afterwards if such person be thereupon apprehended and brought before any such Justice or Justices, such Justice or Justices, upon its being proved upon oath or affirmation before him or them that the person so appre-45 hended is the same person who is charged and named in such indictment, shall, without further inquiry or examination, commit (H) him for trial or admit him to bail in manner hereinafter mentioned; or if such person so indicted shall be confined in any gaol or prison for any 50 other offence than that charged in the said indictment at the time of such application and production of such certificate to such Justice or Justices as aforesaid, it shall

If person indicted be already in prison for some other offence Justice may order him to

be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he or they are be detained hereby required, upon its being proved before him or until removed by writ of them upon oath or affirmation, that the person so indicted Habeus Corand the person so confined in prison are one and the pus-5 same person, to issue his or their warrant (I), directed to the gaoler or keeper of the gaol or prison in which the person so indicted shall then be confined as aforesaid, commanding him to detain such person in his custody, until, by Her Majesty's writ of Habeas Corpus, he shall 10 be removed therefrom for the purpose of being tried upon the said indictment, or until he shall be otherwise removed or discharged out of his custody by due course of law.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Justices may 15 Justice or Justices of the Peace to grant or issue any issue warrants warrant on a Sunday as well as on any other day.

IV. And be it enacted, That in all cases when a when charge charge or complaint for any indictable offence shall be is made if a warrant is to made before such Justice or Justices aforesaid, if it be be issued, in-20 intended to issue a warrant in the first instance against formation, &c. such party or parties so charged, an information and complaint thereof (A), in writing, on the oath or affirmation of the informant, or of some witness or witnesses in that behalf, shall be laid before such Justice or Justices: 25 Provided always, that in all cases when it is intended to If summons to issue a summons instead of a warrant in the first instance, be issued it shall not be necessary that such information and com-mation, &c plaint shall be in writing, or be sworn to or affirmed in not to be on manner aforesaid; but in every such case such informa-30 tion and complaint may be by parol merely, and without any oath or affirmation whatsoever to support or substantiate the same: Provided also, that no objection shall be No objection taken or allowed to any such information or complaint allowed for for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or inform or sub-35 for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on stance. the part of the prosecution, before the Justice or Justices who shall take the examination of the witnesses on that

V. And be it enacted, That upon such information and upon com-40 complaint being so laid as aforesaid, the Justice or Jus- plaint being laid, Justices tices receiving the same may, if he or they shall think fit, receiving the issue his or their summons or warrant respectively as same may issue summons hereinbefore directed, to cause the person charged as or warrant for aforesaid to be and appear before him or them, or any appearance of 45 other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same charged District, to be dealt with according to law: and every such summons (C) shall be directed to the party so charged in and by such information, and shall state shortly the matter of such information, and shall require the party 50 to whom it is directed to be and appear at a certain time and place therein mentioned, before the Justice who shall

behalf as hereinafter mentioned.

issue such summons, or before such other Justice or

to be served.

Justices of the Peace for the same District as may then be there, to answer to the said charge, and to be further Howsummons dealt with according to law; and every such summons shall be served by a Constable or other peace officer upon 5 the person to whom it is so directed, by delivering the same to the party personally, or, if he cannot conveniently be met with, then by leaving the same for him with some person at his last or most usual place of abode; and the constable or other peace officer who shall have served 10 the same in manner aforesaid, shall attend at the time and place, and before the Justices in the said summons mentioned, to depose, if necessary, to the service of such summons; and if the person so served shall not be and appear before such Justice or Justices, at the time and 15 place mentioned in such summons, in obedience to the warrant to compelationd. same, then it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices to issue his or their warrant (D) for apprehending the party so summoned, and bringing him before such Justice or Justices, or before some other Justice or Justices for 20 the same District, to answer the charge in the said information and complaint mentioned, and to be further dealt with according to law: Provided always, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such summons or warin form or sub- rant for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced 25 on the part of the prosecutor before the Justice or Justices who shall take the examination of the witnesses in that behalf as hereinafter mentioned; but if any such variance shall appear to such Justice or Justices to be such that the party charged has been thereby deceived 30 or misled, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, at the request of the party so charged, to adjourn the hearing of the case to some future day, and in the meantime to remand the party so charged, or admit him to bail in manner hereinafter mentioned. 35

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Warrant to apprehend parties under the hand and seal of Justice.

How warrant to be directed and to whom.

VI. And be it enacted, That every warrant (B) hereafter to be issued by any Justice or Justices of the Peace to apprehend any person charged with any indictable offence, shall be under the hand and seal, or hands and seals, of the Justice or Justices issuing the same, and may 40 be directed to all or any of the Constables or other peace officers of the District within which the same is to be executed, or to such Constable and all other Constables or peace officers in the District within which the Justice or Justices issuing the same has or have jurisdiction, or 45 generally to all the Constables or peace officers within: such last mentioned District; and it shall state shortly the offence on which it is founded, and shall name or otherwise describe the offender; and it shall order the person or persons to whom it is directed to apprehend the offend- 50 er, and bring him before the Justice or Justices issuing such warrant, or before some other Justice or Justices of

the Peace for the same District, to answer to the charge contained in the said information, and to be further dealt with according to law; and it shall not be necessary to make such warrant returnable at any particular time, but 5 the same may remain in force until it shall be executed: and such warrant may be executed by apprehending the How and offender at any place within the District within which the where warrant may be execu-Justice or Justices issuing the same shall have jurisdic-ted. tion, or, in case of fresh pursuit, at any place in the next 10 adjoining District, and within seven miles of the border of such first mentioned District, without having such warrant backed, as hereinafter mentioned; and in all cases where such warrant shall be directed to all Constables or other peace officers within the District within 15 which such Justice or Justices shall have jurisdiction, it shall be lawful for any Constable or other peace officer for any place within such District to execute the said warrant at any place within the jurisdiction for which such Justice or Justices shall have acted when he or they 20 granted such warrant, in like manner as if such warrant were directed specially to such Constable by name, and notwithstanding the place within which such warrant shall be executed shall not be within the place for which he shall be Constable or peace officer; Provided always No objection 25 that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such allowed for alleged defect warrant for any defect therein, in substance or in form, in form or subor for any variance between it and the evidence adduced stance. on the part of the prosecution, before the Justice or Justices who shall take the examination of the witnesses 30 in that behalf as hereinafter mentioned; but if any such variance shall appear to any such Justice or Justices to be such that the party charged has been thereby deceived or misled, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, at the request of the party so charged, to adjourn the 35 hearing of the case to some future day, and in the mean time to remand the party so charged, or to admit him to bail in manner hereinaster mentioned.

VII. And be it enacted, That if the person against Regulations as whom any such warrant shall be issued, as aforesaid, to the backing of warrants. 40 shall not be found within the jurisdiction of the Justice or Justices by whom the same shall be issued, or if he shall escape, go into, reside or be, or be supposed or suspected to be in any place within this province, whether in Upper or in Lower Canada out of the jurisdiction 45 of the Justice or Justices issuing such warrant, it shall and may be lawful for any Justice of the Peace within the jurisdiction of whom such person shall so escape or go, or in which he shall reside or be, or be supposed or suspected to be, upon proof alone being made on oath of 50 the handwriting of the Justice issuing the same, and without any security being given, to make an endorsement (K) on such warrant, signed with his name, authorizing the execution of such warrant within the jurisdiction of

the Justice making such endorsement, and which endorsment shall be sufficient authority to the person bringing such warrant, and to all other persons to whom the same was originally directed, and also to all Constables and other peace officers of the District, County, Division, 5 Riding, City, Town or place where such warrant shall be so endorsed, to execute the same in such other Listrict, County, Division, Riding, City, Town or place. and to carry the person against whom such warrant shall have issued, when apprehended, before the Justice or 10 Justices of the Peace who first issued the said warrant. or before some other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, or before some Justice or Justices of the District where the offence in the said warrant mentioned appears therein to have been committed; Pro- 15 vided always, that if the prosecutor or any of the witnesses upon the part of the prosecution shall then be in the District, County, Division, Riding, City, Town or place where such person shall have been so apprehended, the constable or other person or persons who 20 shall have so apprehended such person may, if so directed by the Justice backing such warrant, take and convey him before the Justice who shall have so backed the said warrant, or before some other Justice or Justices for the same District, County, Division, Riding, City, 25 Town or place; and the said Justice or Justices may thereupon take the examination of such prosecutor or witnesses, and proceed in every respect in manner hereinafter directed with respect to persons charged before a Justice or Justices of the Peace, with an offence alleged 30 to have been committed in another County or Place than that in which such persons have been apprehended.

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Power to Justices to summon witnesses to attend and

VIII. And be it enacted, That if it shall be made to appear to any Justine of the Peace, by the oath or affirmation of any credible person, that any person within the 35 attend and give evidence, jurisdiction of such Justice is likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, and will not voluntarily appear for the purpose of being examined as a witness at the time and place appointed for the examination of the witnesses against the accused, such Justice may and is 40 hereby required to issue his summons (L 1) to such person, under his hand and seal, requiring him to be and appear at a time and place mentioned in such summons, before the said Justice, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, County, 45 Division, Riding, City, Town or place as shall then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the charge made against such accused party; and if any person so summoned shall neglect or refuse to appear at the time and place appointed by the said summons, and no just of excuse shall be offered for such neglect or refusal, then after proof upon oath or affirmation of such summons having been served upon such person, either personally

If summons not obeyed warrant may be issued to compel attend-

or with some person for him at his last or most usual place of abode,) it shall be lawful for such Justice or justices before whom such person should have appeared, to issue a warrant (L 2) under his or their hands and 5 seals, to bring and have such person, at a time and place to be therein mentioned, before the Justice who issued the said summons, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District as shall then be there to testify as aforesaid, and which said warrant may, 10 if necessary, be backed as hereinbefore is mentioned, in order to its being executed out of the jurisdiction of the Justice who shall have issued the same; or if such in certain Justice shall be satisfied by evidence upon oath or af- cases warrant may be issued firmation that it is probable that such person will not in the first 15 attend to give evidence unless compelled so to do, then, instance. instead of issuing such summons, it shall be lawful for him to issue his warrant (L 3) in the first instance, and which, if necessary, may be backed as aforesaid; and if Persons ap on the appearance of such person so summoned before pearing on summons and 20 the said last mentioned Justice or Justices, either in obe- refusing to be dience to the said summons or upon being brought before examined may him or them by virtue of the said warrant, such person shall refuse to be examined upon oath or affirmation concerning the premises, or shall refuse to take such oath or 25 affirmation, or having taken such oath or affirmation shall refuse to answer such questions concerning the premises as shall then be put to him without giving any just excuse for such refusal, any Justice of the Peace then present and having there jurisdiction, may, by warrant (L 4) under his hand and seal, commit the person so refusing 30 to the common Gaol or House of Correction for the District where such person so refusing shall then be, there to remain and be imprisoned for any time not exceeding ten days, unless he shall in the mean time consent to be examined concerning the Premises.

IX. And be it enacted, That in all cases where any As to the persons shall appear or be brought before any Justice or examination of witnesses. Justices of the Peace charged with any indictable offence, whether committed in this Province or upon the high seas or on and beyond the seas, or whether such person ap-40 pear voluntarily upon summons or have been apprehended, with or without warrant, or be in custody for the same or any other offence, such Justice or Justices before he or they shall commit such accused person to prison for trial, or before he or they shall admit him to bail, shall in the 45 presence of such accused person, who shall be at liberty to put questions to any witness produced against him, take the statement (M) on oath or affirmation of those who shall know the facts and circumstances of the case, and shall put the same in writing, and such depositions 50 shall be read over to and signed respectively by the witnesses who shall have been so examined, and shall be

signed also by the Justice or Justices taking the same

Justice to administer oath or affirmution

persons who have died or who are absent may in certain cases dence.

and the Justice or Justices before whom any such witness shall appear to be examined as aforesaid, shall, before such witness is examined, administer to such witness the usual oath or affirmation, which such Justice or Justices Depositions of shall have full power and authority to do; and if upon the 5 trial of the person so accused as first aforesaid, it shall be proved upon the oath or affirmation of any credible witness, that any person whose deposition shall have been be read in evi- taken as aforesaid is dead or is so ill as not to be able to travel, and if also it be proved that such deposition was 10 taken in presence of the person so accused, and that he had a full opportunity of cross-examining the witness, then if such deposition purport to be signed by the Justice by or before whom the same purports to have been taken, it shall be lawful to read such deposition as evi- 15 dence in such prosecution without further proof thereof, unless it shall be proved that such deposition was not in fact signed by the Justice purporting to sign the same.

After examination of the accused, Jusrice to read depositions taken against him, and caution him as to

X. And he it enacted. That after the examinations of all the witnesses on the part of the prosecution as afore-20 said shall have been completed, the Justice of the Peace or one of the Justices by or before whom such examination shall been so completed as aforesaid, shall, without any statement requiring the attendance of the witnesses, read or cause he may make to he read to the accused the depositions taken against 25 him, and shall say to him these words, or words to the like effect: "Having heard the evidence do you wish to " say any thing in answer to the charge? You are not " obliged to say any thing unless you desire to do so, but "whatever you say will be taken down in writing, and 30 " may be given in evidence against you upon your trial;" and whatever the prisoner shall then say in answer thereto shall be taken down in writing (N) and read over to him, and shall be signed by the said Justice or Justices, and kept with the depositions of the witnesses, and shall be 35 transmitted with them as hereinaster mentioned; and afterwards upon the trial of the said accused person the same may if necessary be given in evidence against him without further proof thereof, unless it shall be proved that the Justice or Justices purporting to sign the same 40 did not in fact sign the same: Provided always, that the said Justice or Justices, before such accused person shall make any statement, shall state to him and give him clearly to understand that he has nothing to hope from any promise of favor, and nothing to fear from any threat 45 which may have been holden out to him to induce him to make any admission or confession of his guilt, but that whatever he shall then say may be given in evidence against him upon his trial, notwithstanding such promise or threat: Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein 50 contained or enacted shall prevent the prosecutor in any case from giving in evidence any admission or confession, or other statement of the person accused or charged,

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made at any time which by law would be admissible as evidence against such person.

XI. And be it declared and enacted, That the room Place where or building in which such Justice or Justices shall take examination taken not an 5 such examination and statement as aforesaid shall not be open Court deemed an open Court for that purpose; and it shall be and no person to remain lawful for such Justice or Justices, in his or their discre- without contion, to order that no person shall have access to or be or sent. remain in such room or building without the consent or 10 permission of such Justice or Justices, if it appear to him or them that the ends of Justice will be best answered by so doing.

XII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Power to Jussuch Justice or Justices before whom any such witness over the pro-15 shall be examined as aforesaid to bind by recognizance secutors and (01) the prosecutor, and every such witness, to appear Recognizance. at the next Court of competent criminal jurisdiction at which the accused is to be tried, then and there to prosecute or prosecute and give evidence, or to give evidence 20 as the case may be, against the party accused, which said recognizance shall particularly specify the profession, art, mystery or trade of every such person entering into or acknowledging the same, together with his Christian and surname, and the Parish, Township or place of his 25 residence, and if his residence be in a City, Town or Borough, the recognizance shall also particularly specify the name of the street and the number (if any) of the house in which he resides, and whether he is owner or tenant thereof or lodger therein; and the said recognizance, 30 being duly acknowledged by the person so entering into the same, shall be subscribed by the Justice or Justices before whom the same shall be acknowledged, and a notice (O 2) thereof, signed by the said Justice or Recognizance, Justices, shall at the same time be given to the person &c. to be 35 bound thereby; and the several recognizances so taken, transmitted to together with the written information (if any), the depositions, the statement of the accused, and the recognizance is to be had. of bail (if any) in every such case shall be delivered by the said Justice or Justices, or he or they shall cause the 40 same to be delivered to the proper officer of the Court in which the trial is to be had, before or at the opening of the said Court on the first day of the sitting thereof or at such other time as the Judge, Recorder or Justice who is to preside at such Court at the said trial shall order and 45 appoint: Provided always, that if any such witness shall witnesses refuse to enter into or acknowledge such recognizance refusing to

as aforesaid, it shall belawful for the Justice or Justices recognizances of the Peace by his or their warrant (P 1) to commit him may be committed.

to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the Dis-50 trict in which the accused party is to be tried, there to be imprisoned and safely kept until after the trial of such duly enter into such recognizance as aforesaid before some one Justice of the Peace for the District in which such Gaol or House of Correction shall be situate: Provided nevertheless, that if afterwards for want 5 of sufficient evidence in that behalf, or other cause, the Justice or Justices before whom such accused party shall have been brought shall not commit him or hold him to bail for the offence with which he is charged, it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, or for any other 10 Justice or Justices for the same District, by his or their order (P 2) in that be alf, to order and direct the keeper of such Common Gaol or House of Correction where such witnesses shall be so in custody to discharge him from the same, and such keeper shall thereupon forthwith 15 discharge him accordingly.

Power to Justice to remand the accused from time to time not exceeding eight days by warrant.

If remand be for three days only by verbal order.

may be admitted to bail on the examination being adjourned.

If party does not appear upon recogni-

XIII. And be it enacted, That if from the absence of witnesses, or from any other reasonable cause, it shall become necessary or advisable to defer the examination or further examination of the witnesses 20 for any time, it shall be lawful to and for the Justice or Justices before whom the accused shall appear or be brought by his or their warrant (Q 1) from time to time to remand the party accused for such time as by such Justice or Justices in their discretion shall be deem- 25 ed reasonable, not exceeding eight clear days, to the Common Gaol or House of Correction or other prison, lock-up house, or place of security in the District for which such Justice or Justices shall then be acting; or if the remand be for a time not exceeding three clear days, 30 it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices verbally to order the Constable, or other person in whose custody such party accused may then be, or any other Constable or person to be named by the said Justice or Justices in . that behalf, to continue or keep such party accused in his 35 custody, and to bring him before the same or such other Justice or Justices as shall be there acting at the time appointed for continuing such examination: Provided always, that any such Justice or Justices may order such accused party to be brought before him or them or before 40 any other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District at any time before the expiration of the time for which such party shall be remanded, and the Gaoler or officer in whose custody he shall then be shall duly obey such Party accused order: Provided also, that instead of detaining the said 45 accused party in custody during the period for which such accused party shall be so remanded, any one Justice of the Peace before whom such party shall so appear or be brought as aforesaid, may discharge him, upon his entering into a recognizance (Q. 23,) with or without a surely, 50 or sureties at the discretion of such Justice, conditioned for his appearance at the time and place appointed for the continuance of such examination; and if such accused party shall not afterwards appear at the time and place

mentioned in such recognizance, then the said Justice or zance, Justice any other Justice of the Peace who may then and there may transmit the same to be present, upon certifying (Q 4) upon the back of the the Clerk of recognizances the non-appearance of such accused party, the Peace. 5 may transmit such recognizance to the Clerk of the Peace for the District within which such recognizance shall have been taken, to be proceeded upon in like manner as other recognizances, and such certificate shall be deemed sufficient prima facie evidence of such non-appearance of the 10 said accused party.

XIV. And whereas it often happens that a person is If a person be charged before a Justice of the Peace with an offence apprehended in one District alleged to have been committed in another District than on charge of that in which such person has been apprehended, or in an offence committed in 15 which such Justice has jurisdiction, and it is necessary another he to make provision as to the manner of taking the examined in examinations of the witnesses, and of committing the the former. party accused or admitting him to bail in such a case, Be it therefore enacted, That whenever a person shall 20 appear or be brought before a Justice or Justices of the Peace in the District wherein such Justice or Justices shall have jurisdiction, charged with an offence alleged to have been committed by him within any District wherein such Justice or Justices shall not have jurisdiction, it shall 25 be lawful for such Justice or Justices, and he or they are hereby required to examine such witnesses, and receive such evidence in proof of the said charge as shall be produced before him or them within his or their jurisdiction; and if in his or their opinion such testimony and Andiferi-30 evidence shall be sufficient proof of the charge made decembed suffiagainst such accused party, such Justice or Justices shall cient may be thereupon commit him to the Common Gaol or House of committed to Correction for the District where the offence is alleged to have been committed, or shall admit him to bail as 35 hereinafter mentioned, and shall bind over the prosecutor (if he have appeared before him or them) and the witnesses by recognizance accordingly as herein before mentioned; but if such testimony and evidence shall not, If insufficient in the opinion of such Justice or Justices, be sufficient to before some 40 put the accused party upon his trial for the offence with Justice in the which he is so charged, then such Justice or Justices shall latter District. bind over such witness or witnesses as he shall have examined by recognizance to give evidence as hereinbefore is mentioned; and such Justice or Justices shall, by war-

45 rant (R 1) under his or their hand and seal, or hands and seals, order the said accused party to be taken before some Justice or Justices of the Peace in and for the District where the offence is alleged to have been committed, and shall at the same time deliver up the inform-50 ation and complaint, and also the depositions and recognizances so taken by him or them to the Constable who shall have the execution of such last mentioned warrant, to be by him delivered to the Justice or Justices.

before whom he shall take the accused, in obedience to the said warrant, and which said depositions and recognizances shall be deemed to be taken in the case, and shall be treated to all intents and purposes as if they had been taken by or before the said last mentioned Justice or 5 Justices, and shall, together with such depositions and recognizances as such last mentioned Justice or Justices shall take in the matter of such charge against the said accused party, be transmitted to the Clerk of the Court where the said accused party is to be tried, in the man- 10 ner and at the time hereinbefore mentioned, if such accused party shall be committed for trial upon the said Astopayment charge, or shall be admitted to bail; and in case such of expenses of accused party shall be taken before the Justice or Justices last aforesaid, by virtue of the said last mentioned warrant, 15 the constable or other person or persons to whom the said warrant shall have been directed, and who shall have conveyed such accused party before such last mentioned Justice or Justices, shall be entitled to be paid his costs and expenses of conveying the said accused party before 20 the said Justice or Justices; and upon the said constable or other person producing the said accused party before. such Justice or Justices, and delivering him into the custody of such person as the said Justice or Justices shall direct or name in that behalf; and upon the said constable 25 delivering to the said Justice or Justices the warrant, information (if any), depositions and recognizances aforesaid. and proving by oath the handwriting of the Justice or Justices who shall have subscribed the same, such Justice or Justices before whom the said accused party is produced 30 shall thereupon furnish such constable with a receipt or certificate (R 2) of his or their having received from him the body of the said accused party, together with the said warrant, information (if any), depositions and recognizances, and of his having proved to him or them, upon 35 oath, the handwriting of the Justice who shall have issued: the said warrant; and the said Constable, on producing such receipt or certificate to the Sheriff of the District in which such accused party was apprehended, will beentitled to be paid all his reasonable charges, costs and 40 expenses of conveying such accused party into such accused

conveying the accused into the proper District.

Power to any two Justices to Bail persons charged with felony or on suspicion of felony.

XV. And be it enacted, That when any person shall have appeared before any Justice of the Peace charged with any felory, or on suspicion of felony, it shall be law- 45 ful for any two Justices, whether before or after the commitment of such person so charged, provided it be before the first day of the sitting or session at which he is' to be tried, to admit such person to bail upon his procur-: ing and producing such surety or sureties as in the 50 opinion of such two Justices will be sufficient to ensure the appearance of such person so charged at the time and place when and where he is to be tried for such offence;"

other District, and of returning from the same.

and thereupon such two Justices shall take the recognizance (S 1, 2) of the said accused person and his surety or sureties conditioned for the appearance of such accused person at the time and place of trial, and that he' will then 5 surrender and take his trial, and not depart the Court without leave; Provided always, that when the offence In cases of committed or suspected to have been committed is a misdemeanor one Justice misdemeanor, any one Justice may admit to bail in may bail. manner aforesaid; and such Justice or Justices may at 10 their discretion require that such bail should justify upon oath as to their sufficiency, which oath the said Justice or Justices is and are hereby authorized to administer; Provided also nevertheless, that no Justice or Justices of No bail in the Peace shall admit any person to bail for treason, nor cases of treason but by 15 shall any such person be admitted to bail except by order order of a of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, or one of the Judge of Q. B. Judges thereof in vacation.

XVI. And be it enacted, That in all cases where a When a Jus-Justice or Justices of the Peace shall admit to bail any tice admits a 20 person who shall then be in any prison charged with the after commitoffence for which he shall be so admitted to bail, such ment a writ of deliverance Justice or Justices shall send to or cause to be lodged shall be sent with the keeper of such prison a warrant of deliverance by him, &c. (S3) under his or their hand and seal or hands and seals, 25 requiring the said keeper to discharge the person so admitted to bail if he be detained for no other offence. and upon such warrant of deliverance being delivered to or lodged with such keeper, he shall forthwith obey the same

XVII. And be it enacted, That when all the evidence If the evidence offered upon the part of the prosecution against the be not thought sufficient to accused party shall have been heard, if the Justice or warrant com-Justices of the Peace then present shall be of opinion mitment accused shall be that it is not sufficient to put such accused party upon his discharged;
35 trial for any indictable offence, such Justice or Justices but if it be considered suffishall forthwith order such accused party, if in custody, to cient, Justice be discharged as to the information then under inquiry; rant commit but if in the opinion of such Justice or Justices such the accused for evidence is sufficient to put the accused party upon his trial. 40 trial for an indictable offence, or if the evidence given raise a strong or probable presumption of the guilt of such accused party, then such Justice or Justices shall by his or their warrant (T 1) commit him to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the District to which by law 45 he may now be committed, or, in the case of an indictable offence committed on the high seas or on land beyond the sea to the Common Gaol of the District within which such Justice or Justices shall have jurisdiction, to be there safely kept until he shall be thence delivered by due 50 course of law, or admit him to bail as hereinbefore mentioned.

Regulations for conveying prisoners to guol.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the Constable or any of the Constables, or other persons to whom the said warrant of commitment shall be directed, shall convey such accused person therein named or described to the Gaol or other Prison mentioned in such warrant, and 5 there deliver him together with such warrant to the Gaoler, Keeper or Governor of such Gaol or prison. who shall thereupon give such Constable or other person so delivering such prisoner into his custody a receipt (T 2) for such prisoner, setting forth the state and con- 10 dition in which such prisoner was when he was delivered into the custody of such Gaoler, Keeper or Governor; As to payment and in all cases where such Constable or other person shall be entitled to his costs or expenses for conveying such person to such prison as aforesaid, it shall be lawful 15 for the Justice or Justices who shall have committed the accused party, or for any Justice of the Peace in and for the said District wherein the offence is alleged in the said warrant to have been committed, to ascertain the sum which ought to be paid to such Constable or other person 20 for conveying such prisoner to such Gaol or prison, and also the sum which should reasonably be allowed him for his expenses in returning, and thereupon such Justiceshall make an order (T 2) upon the Sheriff for the District within which the offence is alleged to have been 25 committed, for payment to such Constable or other per-1 son of the sums so ascertained to be payable to him in that behalf; and the said Sheriff, upon such order being produced to him, shall pay the amount thereof to such Constable or other person producing the same, or to any 30 person who shall produce the same to him for payment,

of costs of conveying prisoners to prisuns.

After examinations are completed defendant entitled to copies of the depositions.

XIX. And be it enacted, That at any time after all the examinations aforesaid shall have been completed, and before the first day of the Assizes or Sessions, or other first sitting of the Court at which any person so commit-35 ted to prison or admitted to bail as aforesaid is to be tried. such person may require and shall be entitled to have, from the officer or person having the custody of the same, copies of the depositions on which he shall have been committed or bailed on payment of a reasonable sum for 40 the same, not exceeding at the rate of three halfpence for each folio of ninety words.

Forms in Schedule valid.

XX. And be it enacted, That the several forms in the Schedule to this Act contained, or forms to the like effect. shall be good, valid and sufficient in law. : 45

Inspectors and Superintendent of Police, Police Magistrate or Stipendary Magistrate may act alone.

XXI. And be it enacted, That any Inspector and Superintendent of Police, Police Magistrate or Stipendiary Magistrate appointed or to be appointed for any City, Borough, Town, Place or District shall have full power. to do alone whatever is authorized by this Act to be done 50 by any two or more Justices of the Peace, and that the

several forms in the Schedule to this Act annexed, may be varied so far as it may be necessary to render them applicable to such Inspector and Superintendent of Police, Police Magistrate or Stipendiary Magistrate afore-5 said.

XXII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall apply This Act to only to Lower Canada, except in so far as any provision apply to Lower thereof is expressly extended to Upper Canada, or to except, &c. any Act to be done there.

10 XXIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall com-Commencemence and have force and effect upon, from and after Act. the day of 185, and not before.

SCHEDULE.

(A)

Information and Complaint for an Indictable Offence.

Province of Canada. The information and complaint of C. D.

District of (yeoman) taken this
day of in the year of our Lord
before the undersigned
(one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said
District of who saith that (&c. stating the
offence).

Sworn before (me) the day and year first above mentioned at

J. S.

(B)

Warrant to apprehend a person charged with an Indictable Offence.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or other District of peace officers in the District of

Whereas A. B. of (laborer) hath this day been charged upon oath before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of for that he on

did (&c. stating shortly the offence): These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to apprehend the said A. B., and to bring him before (me) or some other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District to answer unto the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand and seal this day of at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

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Summons to a person charged with an Indictable Offence.

Province of Canada, To A. B. of (laborer).

Whereas you have this day been charged before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of for that you on at (4c. stating shortly the offence). These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name to be and appear before me on at o'clock in the (fore) noon at or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District as may then be there, to answer to the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law; Herein tail not.

Given under my hand and scal this - day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(D)

Warrant when the Summons is disobeyed.

Province of Canada, Peace officers in the said District of

Whereas on last past A. B. of (laborer) was charged before (me) the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of for that (fc. as in the summons) and whereas (1) then issued (my) summons to the said A. B., commanding

him in Her Majesty's name to be and appear before (me) on at o'clock in the (fore) noon at

or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace as should then be there, to answer to the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law. And whereas the said A. B. hath neglected to be or appear at the time and place appointed in and by the said summons although it hath now been proved to me upon oath that the said summons was duly served upon the said A. B., These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to apprehend the said A. B., and to bring him before (me) or some other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District, to answer the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand and seal this in the year of our Lord at aforesaid.

day of in the District

J. S. (L. B.)

(F)

Certificate of Indictment being found.

I hereby certify that at (a Court of Oyer and Terminer, or General Gaol Delivery, or a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace) holden in and for the District of at

in the said District on a bill of indictment was found by the Grand Jury against A. B., therein described as A. B. late of (laborer), for that he (Ac. stating shortly the offence), and that the said A. B.

hath not appeared or pleaded to the said indictment.

Dated this

day of

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J. D.,

Clerk of the Crown at (the name of the Court)

QY

Clerk of the Peace of and for the said District.

(G)

Warrant to apprehend a person indicted.

Province of Canada, Peace Officers in the said District of

Whereas it hath been duly certified by J. D., Clerk of the Crown at (name the Court) (or Clerk of the Peace in and for the District of) that (&c. stating the certificate), These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to apprehend the said A. B., and to bring him before (me), or some other Justice or Justices of the Peace in and for the said District, to be dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand and seal this in the year of our Lord at aforesaid.

day of in the District

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J. S. (L. s.)

(H)

Warrant of Commitment of a person indicted.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or other
District of Peace Officers in the said District of
and to the Keeper of the (Common Gaol or
House of Correction) at
in the said District
of

Whereas by my warrant under my hand and seal, dated the day of after reciting that it had been certified by J. D. (Gc. as in the certificate) (I) commanded all or any of the Constables and other peace officers of the said District in Her Majesty's name forthwith to apprehend the said

A. B., and to bring him before (me) the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District, or before some other Justice or Justices in and for the said District to be dealt with according to law. And whereas the said A. B. hath been apprehended under and by virtue of the said warrant, and being now brought before (me), it is hereupon duly proved to (me) upon oath that the said A. B. is the same person who is named and charged by in the said indictment: These are therefore to command you the said Constables and peace officers, or any of you, in Her Majesty's name forthwith to take and convey the said A. B. to the said (House of Correction) at in the said District, and there to deliver him to the keeper thereof together with this precept; and I hereby command you the said Keeper to receive the said A. B. into your custody in the said (House of Correction) and him there safely to keep until he shall thence be delivered by due course of law.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(I)

Warrant to detain a person indicted, who is already in custody for another offence.

Province of Canada: To the Keeper of the (Common Gaol or District of House of Correction) at in the said District of

Whereas it hath been duly certified by J. D., Clerk of the Crown at (name the Court) (or Clerk of the Peace of and for the District of) that (&c., stating the certificate). And whereas (I am) informed that the said A. B. is in your custody in the said aforesaid, charged with some offence, (Common Gaol) at or other matter; and it being now duly proved upon oath before (me) that the said A.B., so indicted as aforesaid, and the said A.B., in your custody as aforesaid, are one and the same person: These are therefore to command you, in Her Majesty's name, to detain the said A. B. in your custody in the said (Common Gaol) aforesaid, until by Her Majesty's writ of Habeas Corpus he shall be removed therefrom for the purpose of being tried upon the said indictment, or until he shall otherwise be removed or discharged out of your custody by due course of law.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

I. S. (L. s.)

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(K)

Endorsement in backing a Warrant.

Province of Canada, Whereas proof upon oath hath this day District of been made before me, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District of that the name of J. S., to the within warrant subscribed, is of the handwriting of the Justice of the Peace within mentioned; I do therefore hereby authorize W. T., who bringeth to me this warrant, and all other persons to whom this warrant was originally directed, or by whom it may be lawfully executed, and also all Constables and other peace officers of the said District of to execute the same within the said last mentioned District.

Given under my hand this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. L.

(L1)

Summons to a Witness.

Province of Canada, District of Canada, Claborer).

Whereas information hath been laid before the undersigned, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of that A. B. (&c., as in the summons or warrant against the accused,) and it hath been made to appear to me upon (oath), that you are likely to give material evidence for the (prosecution): These are therefore to require you to be and to appear before me on next, at o'clock in the (fore)noon, at or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, as may then be there to testify what you shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said A. B. as aforesaid. Herein fail not.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

I. S. (L. s.)

(L 2)

Warrant when a Witness has not obeyed a Summons.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or other District of Peace Officers in the said District of Whereas information having been laid before the undersigned,

(one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District of that A. B., (&c., as in the summons); and it having been made to appear to (me) upon oath that E. F. of (laborer), was likely to give material evidence for

the prosecution, I did duly issue my summons to the said E. F.,

requiring him to be and appear before me on at or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, as might then be there, to testify what he should know respecting the said charge so made against the said A. B. as aforesaid; and whereas proof hath this day been made upon oath before me of such summons having been duly served upon the said E. F.; and whereas the said E. F. hath neglected to appear at the time and place appointed by the said summons, and no just excuse has been offered for such neglect: These are therefore to command you to bring and have the said E. F. before me on o'clock in the (fore)noon, at or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District, as may then be there to testify what he shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said A. B. as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District afcresaid.

I S. (L. s.)

(L 3)

Warrant for a Witness in the first instance.

Province of Canada, To all or any the Constables or peace District of officers in the said District of

Whereas information has been laid before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District of that (&c., as in the summons); and it having been made to appear to (me) upon oath that E. F. of (laborer) is likely to give material evidence for the prosecution; and that it is probable that the said E. F. will not attend to give evidence unless compelled so to do: These are therefore to command you to bring and have the said E. F. before me on at o'clock in the (fore) moon, at or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District as may then be there, to testify what he shall know concerning the said charge so made against the said A. B. as 'aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal this in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

I. S. (L. s.)

(L4)

Warrant of commitment of a Witness for refusing to be sworn, or to give evidence.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables, or other District of Peace Officers in the District of and to the Keeper of the (House of Correction,) at in the said District of

Whereas A. B. was lately charged before the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the mid

for that (&c., as in the summons); and it District of having been made to appear to (me) upon oath that E. F., was likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, I duly issued my summons to the said E. F., requiring him to be and appear before me on such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same District as should then be there to testify what he should know concerning the said charge so made against the said A. B. as aforesaid; and the said E. F. now appearing before me, (or being brought before me by virtue of a Warrant in that behalf to testify as aforesaid,) and being required to make oath or affirmation as a witness in that behalf, hath now refused so to do, (or being duly sworn as a witness doth now refuse to answer certain questions concerning the premises which are now here 'put 'to 'him,' without offering any just excuse for such refusal: These are therefore to command you, the said Constables, peace officers, or any one of you, to take the said E. F., and him safely convey to the (House of Correction) in the District aforesaid, and there to deliver him to the Keeper thereof, together with this precept: And I do hereby command you, the said Keeper of the said (House of Correction), to receive the said E. F. into your custody in the said (House of Correction), and him there safely keep for the space of days, for his said contempt, unless he shall in the mean time consent to be examined, and to answer concerning the premises; and for your so doing, this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand and seal this in the year of our Lord 3at

day of in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(M.)

Depositions of Witnesses.

The examination of C. W. of Province of Canada, District of (farmer,) and E. F. of \cdot (laborer), in the year of taken on (oath) this day of in the District aforesaid, before our Lord the undersigned, (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District, in the presence and hearing of A. B., who is charged this day before (me) for that he, the said A. B., on (&c., describing the offence as in a Warrant of comat mitment).

This Deponent C. D., on his (oath) saith as follows: (&c., stating the depositions of the witnesses as nearly as possible in the words he uses. When his deposition is completed let him sign it.)

And this deponent, E. F., upon his (oath) saith as follows: (&c.)
The above depositions of C. D. and E. F. were taken and (sworn) before me at on the day and year first above mentioned.

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(N.)

Statement of the accused.

Province of Canada, A. B. stands charged before the undersigned. (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, District of in and for the District aforesaid, this day of for that the said A. B., on in the year of our Lord (&c., as in the caption of the depoat sitions); and the said charge being read to the said A. B., and the witnesses for the prosecution C. D. and E. F. being severally examined in his presence, the said A. B. is now addressed by me as follows: "Having heard the evidence, do you wish to say any thing in answer to the charge? You are not obliged to say any thing unless you desire to do so; but whatever you say will be taken down in writing, and may be given in evidence against you at your trial." Whereupon the said A. B. saith as follows: (Here state whatever the prisoner may say, and in his very words as nearly as possible. Get him to sign it if he will.)

A.B.

Taken before me, at mentioned.

the day and year first above

J.S.

(O 1)

Recognizance to Prosecute or give Evidence.

Province of Canada,) Be IT REMEMBERED that on the District of day of in the year of Our Lord C. D. of in the Township of in the County of in the said District (farmer,) (or C. D. of No. 2 Street. in the Parish of or in the Borough of or in the Town or City of Surgeon, of which said house he is tenunt,) personally came before me one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of and acknowledged himself to owe to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, the sum of of good and lawful current money of this Province, to be made and levied of his goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of Our said Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors, if he the said C. D. shall fail in the condition endorsed.

Taken and acknowledged, the day and year first above mentioned at before me.

J. S

Condition to Prosecute.

The condition of the within written Recognizance is such, that whereas one A. B. was this day charged before me J. S. Justice of the Peace within mentioned for that (fc. as in the

caption of the depositions,) if therefore he the said C. D. shall appear at the next Court of Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery, (or at the next Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace,) to be holden in and for the District of and there prefer or cause to be preferred a bill of Indictment for the offence aforesaid, against the said A. B. and there also duly prosecute such indictment, then the said recognizance to be void or else to stand in full force and virtue.

Condition to Prosecute and give Evidence.

(Same as the last form to the asterisk* and then thus:)—" And there prefer or cause to be preferred a bill of Indictment against the said A. B. for the offence aforesaid, and duly prosecute such indictment and give evidence thereon, as well to the Jurors who shall then enquire into the said offence, as also to them who shall pass upon the trial of the said A. B., then the said recognizance to be void or else to stand in full force and virtue."

Condition to give Evidence.

(Same as the last form but one to the asterisk* and then thus:)—
"And there give such evidence as he knoweth upon a bill of Indictment to be then and there preferred against the said A. B. for the offence aforesaid, as well to the Jurors who shall there enquire of the said offence, as also to the Jurors who shall pass upon the trial of the said A. B. if the said Bill shall be found a true bill, then the said recognizance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue."

(O 2)

Notice of the said Recognizance to be given to the Prosecutor and his Witness.

Province of Canada, Take notice that you C. D. of
District of are bound in the sum of to
appear at the next Court of (General Quarter Sessions of the
Peace,) in and for the District of to be holden at
in the said District, and then and there (prosecute
and) give evidence against A. B. and unless you then appear
there, (prosecute and) give evidence accordingly, the recognizance entered into by you will be forthwith levied on you.
Dated this day of 18

Commitment of Witness for refusing to enter into the Recognizance.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or other

District of Peace Officers in the said District of

and to the Keeper of the (House of Correction)

at in the said District of

Whereas A. B. was lately charged before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of for that (&c. as in the summons to the witness,) and it having been made to appear to (me) upon oath that E. F, of was likely to give material evidence for the prosecution, (I) duly issued (my) summons to the said E. F. requiring him to be and appear before (me) on

or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace as should then be there to testify what he should know concerning the said charge so made against the said A. B. as aforesaid; and the said E. F. now appearing before (me) for being brought before (me) by virtue of a warrant in that behalf to testify as aforesaid,) hath been now examined before (me) touching the premises, but being by (me) required to enter into a recognizance conditioned to give evidence against the said A. B. hath now refused so to do: These are therefore to command you the said Constables or peace officers or any one of you to take the said E. F. and him safely to convey to the (House of Correction) at in the District aforesaid, and there deliver him to the said Keeper thereof together with this precept; and I do hereby command you the said Keeper of the said (House of Correction) to receive the said E. F. into your custody in the said (House of Correction,) there to imprison and safely keep him until after the trial of the said A. B. for the offence aforesaid, unless in the meantime the said E. F. shall duly enter into such recognizance as aforesaid, in the sum of before some one Justice of the Peace for the said

District, conditioned in the usual form to appear at the next Court of (Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery, or General Quarter Sessions of the Peace,) to be holden in and for the said District of and there to give evidence before the Grand Jury upon any bill of Indictment which may then and there be preferred against the said A. B. for the offence aforesaid, and also to give evidence upon the trial of the said A. B. for the said offence if a true bill should be found against him for the same.

Given under my hand and seal this in the year of Our Lord at aforesaid.

day of in the District

J. S. (L. s.)

(P 2)

Subsequent order to discharge the Witness.

Province of Canada, Contraction of Canada, Contraction of Contract

Whereas by (my) order dated the day of (instant) reciting that A. B. was lately before then charged before (me) for a certain offence therein mentioned, and that E. F. having appeared before (me) and being examined as a witness for the prosecution in that behalf refused to enter into a recognizance to give evidence against the said A. B., and I therefore thereby committed the said E. F. to your custody, and required you safely to keep him until after the trial of the said A. B. for the offence aforesaid, unless in the mean time he should enter into such recognizance as aforesaid; and whereas for want of sufficient evidence against the said A. B. the said A. B. has not been committed or holden to bail for the said offence, but on the contrary thereof has been since discharged and it is therefore not necessary that the said E. F. should be detained longer in your custody: These are therefore to order and direct you the said Keeper to discharge the said E. F. out of your custody, as to the said commitment, and suffer him to go at large.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(Q 1)

Warrant remanding a Prisoner.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or other District of Peace Officers in the said District of and to the Keeper of the (House of Correction) at in the said District of

Whereas A. B. was this day charged before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said for that (&c., as in the Warrant to appre-District of hend) and it appears to (me) to be necessary to remand the said A. B. These are therefore to command you the said Constables or Peace Officers or any one of you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to convey the said A. B. to the (House of Corin the said District, and there to deliver rection) at him to the Keeper thereof together with this precept; and I hereby command you the said Keeper to receive the said A. B. into your custody in the said (House of Correction) and there day of safely keep him until the (instant) when I hereby command you to have him at o'clock in the (fore) noon of the same day before (ne) or before some other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said District as may then be there to answer further to the

said charge and to be further dealt with according to law, unless you shall be otherwise ordered in the mean time.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(Q2)

Recognizance of Bail instead of remand, on an adjournment of examination.

Province of Canada, ? Be it remembered that on the District of day of in the year of our Lord (laborer) L. M. of A. B. of (grocer) and N. O. of (butcher) personally came before me (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to our Lady the Queen the several sums following, that is to say, the said A. B. the sum of and the said L. M. and N. O. the sum of each of good and lawful current money of this Province, to be made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements respectively, to the use of our said Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and successors if he the said A. B. fail in the condition endorsed.

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above mentioned at before me.

J. S.

Condition.

The condition of the within written recognizance is such that whereas the within bounden A B. was this day (or on lust past) charged before me for that (&c., as in the Warrant) and whereas the examination of the witnesses for the prosecution in this behalf is adjourned until the day of (instant); if therefore the said A. B. shall appear before me on the said day of (instant) at o'clock in the forenoon or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said District as may then be there to answer (further) to the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to. stand in full force and virtue.

(Q 3)

Notice of Recognizance to be given to the accused and to his Sureties.

Province of Canada, Take notice that you A. B. of
District of are bound in the sum of and
your sureties L. M. and N. O. in the sum of each, that
you A. B. appear before me J. S. one of Her Majesty's Justices

of the Peace for the said District of on the day of (instant) at o'clock in the (fore)noon at or before such other Justice or Justices for the same District as may be then there to answer (further) to the charge made against you by C. D., and to be further dealt with according to law; and unless you A. B. personally appear accordingly, the recognizances entered into by yourself and sureties will be forthwith levied on you and them; dated this day of 18.

J.S.

(Q4)

Certificate of non-appearance to be endorsed on the Recognizance.

I hereby certify that the said A. B. hath not appeared at the time and place, in the above condition mentioned, but therein hath made default, by reason whereof the within written recognizance is forfeited.

J. S.

(R1)

Warrant to convey the accused before a Justice of the District in which the offence was committed.

Province of Canada, Po all or any of the Constables or other District of Peace Officers in the said District of Cabaran hath this day been

(laborer) hath this day been Whereas A. B. of charged before the undersigned (one) of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of (&c., as in the Warrant to apprehend), and whereas (I) have taken the deposition of C. D., a witness examined by (me) in this behalf; but inasmuch as (I) am informed that the principal witnesses to prove the said offence against the said A. B. reside in where the said offence is alleged to have been committed: These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to take and convey the said A. and there carry him before B. to the said District of some Justice or Justices of the Peace in and for that District.) where the offence is and near unto the (Parish of alleged to have been committed, to answer further to the said charge before him or them, and to be further dealt with according to law; and (1) hereby further command you to deliver to the said Justice or Justices the Information in this behalf, and also the said Deposition of C. D. now given into your possession for that purpose together with this precept.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of Our Lord, at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (.L s.)

(R2)

Receipt to be given to the Constable by the Justice for the District in which the offence was committed.

Province of Canada,) I, J. P., one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District District of hereby certify that W. T., Constable, or Peace of Officer, of the District of has on this one thousand eight hundred and by virtue of and in obedience to a warrant of J. S., Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the District produced before me one A. B. charged before the said of J. S. with having (&c., stating shortly the offence), and delivered him into the custody of by my direction, to answer to the said charge, and further to be dealt with according to law, and has also delivered unto me the said warrant, together with the information (if any) in that behalf, and the deposition(s)) in the said warrant mentioned, and that of C. D. (and of he has also proved to me upon oath the hand-writing of the said J. S. subscribed to the same.

Dated the day and year first above mentioned at in the said District of

J. P.

(S 1)

Recognizance of Bail.

Province of Canada, Be it remembered, that on the day of in the year of Our Lord, District of A. B. of (laborer), L. M. of (grocer), and N. O. of (butcher), personally came before (us) the undersigned Two of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District, and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to our Lady the Queen, the several sums. following; (that is to say), the said A. B. the sum of and the said L. M. and N. O. the sum of each, of good and lawful current money of this Province, to be made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements respectively, to the use of Our said Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors, if he the said A. B. fail in the condition

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above mentioned, at before us.

J. S.

J. N.

CONDITION.

The condition of the within written recognizance is such, that whereas the said A. B. was this day charged before (us) the Justices within mentioned for that (fc., as in the warrant;)

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if therefore the said A. B. will appear at the next court of Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery (or Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace) to be holden in and for the District of and there surrender himself into the custody of the Keeper of the (Common Gaol) there, and plead to such Indictment as may be found against him by the Grand Jury, for and in respect to the charge aforesaid, and take his trial upon the same, and not depart the said Court without leave, then the said recognizance to be void, or else to stand in full force and virtue.

(S2)

Notice of the said Recognizance to be given to the accused and his bail.

Take notice that you A. B., of are bound in the sum of and your sureties (L. M., and N. O.) in the sum of each, that you A. B., appear (Gc., as in the condition of the recognizance) and not depart the said Court without leave; and unless you the said A. B., personally appear and plead, and take your trial accordingly, the Recognizance entered into by you and your sureties shall be forthwith levied on you and them.

Dated this day of 18.

J. S.

(S3)

Warrant of Deliverance on bail being given for a Prisoner already committed.

Province of Canada, To the keeper of the (House of Cor-District of rection) at in the said

Whereas A. B. late of (laborer) hath before (us two) of her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of entered into his own recognizance and found sufficient sureties for his appearance at the next Court of Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery (or Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace) to be holden in and for the District of to answer Our Sovereign Lady the Queen for that (&c., as in the commitment) for which he was taken and committed to your said (House of Correction.) These are therefore to command you in Her said Majesty's name, that if the said A. B. do remain in your custody in the said (House of Correction) for the said cause, and for no other, you shall forthwith suffer him to go at large.

Given under our hands and seals this in the year of Our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. 8.) J. N. (L. 8.)

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(T 1)

Warrant of Commitment.

Province of Canada, To all or any of the Constables or District of Souther Peace Officers in the said District of and to the keeper of the (House of Correction) at in the said District of

Whereas A. B- was this day charged before me J. S. one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District on the oath of C. D. of of (farmer) and others for that (&c., stating shortly the offence). These are therefore to command you the said Constables or Peace Officers or any of you to take the said A. B. and him safely convey to the (House of Correction) at aforesaid, and there deliver him to the keeper thereof, together with this precept: And I do hereby command you the said keeper of the said (House of Correction) to receive the said A. B. into your custody in the said (House of Correction) and there safely keep him until he shall be thence delivered by due course of law.

Given under my hand and seal this day of in the year of our Lord at in the District aforesaid.

J. S. (L. s.)

(T 2)

Gaoler's Receipt to the Constable for the Prisoner and Justice's order thereon for the payment of the Constable's expenses in executing the commitment.

I hereby certify that I have received from W. T., Constable, of the District of the body of A. B., together with a Warrant under the hand and seal of J. S., Esquire, one of Her Hajesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District of and that the said A. B. was (sober or as the case may be) at the time he was delivered into my custody.

P. K. Keeper of the (House of Correction)

To R. W. Esquire, Sheriff for the District of.

Whereas W. T., Constable, of the District of hath produced unto me, J. P., one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said District of the above Receipt of P. K. Keeper of the (House of Correction) at And whereas, in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I have ascertained that the sum which ought to be paid to the said W. T. for conveying the said A. B. from (in the District of) to the said (House of Correction)

and that the reasonable expenses of the said W. is T. in returning will amount to the further sum of king together the sum of these are therefore to order you as such Sheriff for the said District of to pay unto the said W. T. the said sum of according to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, for which payment this order shall be your sufficient voucher and authority. 18

Given under my hand this

day of

J. P.

, of the Sheriff Received the day of 18 for the District of the sum of being the amount of the above order.

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W. T.