

## CAP. IX.

An Act for the better security of the Crown and Government of the United Kingdom, within this Island.

[Passed May 11, 1866.]

**B**E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:—

I. If any person whatsoever, after the passing of this Act, shall, within this Island, compass, imagine, invent, devise, or intend to deprive or depose Our Most Gracious Lady the Queen, Her Heirs or Successors, from the Style, Honour, or Royal Name of the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom, or of any of Her Majesty's Dominions and Countries, or to levy War against Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, within any part of the United Kingdom, or within any other of Her Majesty's Dominions or Countries, or this Island, in order, by force or constraint, to compel Her or them to change Her or their measures or counsels, or in order to put any force or constraint upon, or in order to intimidate or overawe the General Assembly of this Island, or either Branch of the Legislature, or to move or stir any Foreigner or Stranger, with force, to invade the United Kingdom, or any other of Her Majesty's Dominions, or this Island, under the observance of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, and such Compassings, Imaginations, Inventions, Devices, or Intentions, or any of them, shall express, utter, or declare, by publishing any printing or writing, or by any overt act or deed, every person, so offending, shall be guilty of Felony, and, being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding seven years, with or without hard labour, as the Court shall direct.

II. It shall be lawful, in any Indictment for any Felony, under this Act, to charge against the offender any number of the matters, acts, or deeds by which such Compassings, Imaginations, Inventions, Devices, or Intentions, as aforesaid, or any of them, shall have been expressed, uttered, or declared.

III. Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall lessen the force of, or in any manner affect anything enacted by the Imperial Statute passed in the Twenty-Fifth year of King Edward the Third—a Declaration which offences shall be adjudged Treason.

IV. Provided also, and be it enacted that, if the facts or matters alleged in an Indictment for any Felony, under this Act, shall amount, in Law, to Treason, such Indictment shall not, by reason thereof, be deemed void, erroneous, or defective; and, if the facts or matters proved in the trial of any person indicted for any Felony under this Act, shall amount, in Law, to Treason, such person shall not, by reason thereof, be entitled to be acquitted of such Felony; but no person, tried for such Felony, shall be afterwards prosecuted for Treason, upon the same facts.

V. In the case of any Felony, punishable under this Act, every principal, in the second degree, and every accessory, before the fact, shall be punishable in the same manner as the principal in the first degree is, by this Act punishable; and every accessory, after the fact, to any such Felony, shall, on conviction, be liable to be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for any term not exceeding two years.

## CAP. X.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Elections.

[Passed May 11, 1866.]

**W**HEREAS the Act of the General Assembly of this Island, passed in the Nineteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to increase the number of Members to serve in the General Assembly, and to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Elections," provides that all Sheriffs and other Officers appointed under the provisions of the said recited Act might severally poll all their votes, as well for the Town and Royalty, and for the several Electoral Districts for which they might severally be entitled to vote, in the Polling Division in which they might severally be employed in taking or assisting to take the Poll, although the same should not be the Polling Division in which they reside, or their property might be situated, if they should be otherwise qualified to vote; but the said recited Act makes no provision for the transmission of such voters' names, or the names of the Candidates for whom they have polled such votes, to the Sheriff of any County other than that in which such votes may have been polled, in order to enable such Sheriff to add such votes to the Poll, previously to his casting up the votes and finally declaring the state of the Poll; and whereas it is deemed expedient to make provision for the transmission of such Special Votes, and all other Special Votes authorized by this Act, to the Sheriffs of the Counties wherein such property may be situated, when such vote has been polled out of such County:

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That every Male Person, of the age of Twenty-one years and upwards, being a British subject, and qualified to vote upon any property qualification, required by any Acts of the General Assembly of this Island, either for Members to serve in the Legislative Council or House of Assembly, shall be entitled to vote for the Election of a Member or Members, for the Town and Royalty or District, respectively, wherein such property qualification may be situated, by polling all his votes at the Polling Division in any other Town or District wherein such person may be entitled to vote, for the Election of a Member, although such Polling Division be not situated in the Town, or Royalty, or Electoral District, or County in which such first-mentioned qualification lies.

II. Every Elector, so entitled to vote, as aforesaid, shall set forth his qualification so to do, in a Schedule, to be signed by such Elector, in manner hereinafter mentioned, and which said Schedule shall contain such Elector's name and residence, a true description of such Property, on account of which he claims to vote, and where it is situated; and if the same is held by Lease or agreement for Lease, by parol or in writing, the annual rent payable for the same; and if freehold, the yearly value thereof; or if a Water Lot, Common Lot, Town Lot, or Pasture Lot, the number or designation thereof, and where situated; and in all of such cases, that he has been possessed of the same for not less than twelve months previous to the day of the teste of the Writ of Elec-