

No. XXVIII.

EXTENSION OF
N. S. W. LAWS TO
NEW ZEALAND.

An Act to declare that the Laws of New South Wales extend to Her Majesty's Dominions in the Islands of New Zealand and to apply the same so far as applicable in the Administration of Justice therein and to indemnify certain Officers for acts already done. [16th June, 1840.]

Preamble.

Acts and Ordinances
of New South Wales
to extend to and be
applied in the Ad-
ministration of Jus-
tice in Her Majesty's
Dominions in the
Islands of New
Zealand.

Indemnifying Lieu-
tenant Governor
Justices of the Peace
and others.

WHEREAS Her Majesty hath been pleased to annex Her Majesty's Dominions the Islands of New Zealand to the Government of New South Wales and it is expedient that the Laws of New South Wales should be enforced in Her Majesty's said Dominions so far as the same can be applied in the Administration of Justice therein Be it therefore enacted That all Laws and Acts or Ordinances of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales which now are or hereafter may be in force within the said Colony shall extend to and be applied in the Administration of Justice within Her Majesty's Dominions in the said Islands of New Zealand so far as the same can be applied therein any Law usage or custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

2. And whereas doubts may arise as to the validity of acts heretofore done and performed in Her Majesty's said Dominions in the Islands of New Zealand by the Lieutenant Governor thereof and by Justices of the Peace Constables and other officers acting under and

Flour &c. Exemption from Duty.

and by virtue of Commissions or Appointments from Her Majesty or Her Majesty's Government of New South Wales for the removal of such doubts as well as for the indemnification of such Lieutenant Governor Justices of the Peace Constables and other officers acting as aforesaid Be it enacted That the said Lieutenant Governor Justices of the Peace Constables and all other persons who may have acted under and by virtue of any Commission or Appointment from Her Majesty or the Governor of New South Wales or the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Dominions in New Zealand shall be freed and discharged from all damages penalties and forfeitures to which they might otherwise be liable for any thing so done or performed and that no act done or performed by any such officers shall be questioned or avoided in any Court of Law by reason of the want of sufficient power and authority but that all such acts shall be and they are hereby declared to be as good and effectual in Law as if such persons respectively had done or performed such acts within and under or by virtue of any Law Act or Ordinance in force in the Colony of New South Wales.
