

C A P. L I I I.

An Act to protect justices of the peace and others from
from vexatious actions.

[Assented to 9th January, 1897.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of
the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. No action can be instituted against any judge of the sessions, police magistrate, justice of the peace or any officer, for any act done in virtue of a statutory provision of Canada or of this Province, based upon the unconstitutionality of such provision. No action to lie against justice, &c., for acts done under certain acts.

2. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

C A P. L I V.

An Act to amend the Code of Civil Procedure.

[Assented to 9th January, 1897.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of
the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. Article 251 of the Code of Civil Procedure, as amended by the act 54 Victoria, chapter 45, section 2, is replaced by the following : C. C. P., 251, replaced.

“251. A party may be examined by the opposite party, and his evidence may be used as a commencement of proof in writing. Examination of parties.

He may also give testimony in his own behalf.

The fact that a party does not offer his testimony cannot be construed against him.” Evidence in their own behalf. If not offered.

2. Article 1232 of the Civil Code, as amended by the act 54 Victoria, chapter 45, section 1, is repealed. C. C., 1232, repealed.

3. The provisions of this act shall apply to causes, matters and things done or pending at the time of its coming into force. Application of act.

4. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.