



No. 2.]

BILL.

[1898.

An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, as a day of rest.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. *The Criminal Code, 1892*, is hereby amended by adding 1892, c. 29
5 the following section thereto immediately after section 173:— amended.

“173A. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on Publication^o or
summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars and sale of news-
costs for the first offence, and not exceeding one hundred paper on
dollars and costs for each subsequent offence, and in default of Sunday.
10 payment to one month's imprisonment, who,—

“(a.) Being the proprietor, publisher or manager of any newspaper, publishes or issues, or prepares for publication or issue, any copy or number of such newspaper for sale on Sunday, or with the intent that such copy or number shall be
15 sold on Sunday; or

“(b.) Sells or employs or procures any person to sell any newspaper on Sunday;

“Provided that the publishing or issuing or preparing for Proviso as to
publication or issue of any copy or number of a religious news- religious
20 paper for distribution on Sunday, or with the intent that it newspaper.
shall be distributed on Sunday, shall not be an offence under this section.

“2. The word ‘newspaper’ in this section has the same “Newspaper”
meaning as it has under paragraph (p1) of section 3, in the defined.
25 sections relating to defamatory libel.

“3. No prosecution for an offence against this section shall Time for
be commenced after the expiration of one month from the prosecution
commission of such offence.” limited.