

How enforced.

office and qualification within twenty days, after knowing of his election or appointment, and every person authorized to administer any such declaration, who, upon reasonable demand, refuses to administer the same, shall, on conviction thereof before two or more Justices of the Peace under and subject to the Consolidated Act of Canada respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions, in relation to summary convictions and orders, forfeit not more than eighty dollars nor less than eight dollars, at the discretion of such Justices, to the use of the Municipality, together with the cost of prosecution.

OFFENCES.

EMBEZZLEMENT OF BOOKS, MONEYS, &c.

Embezzlements by Municipal Officers.

187. All books, papers, accounts, documents, moneys and valuable securities respectively, by any person or officer appointed or employed by or on behalf of any council, kept or received by virtue of his office or employment, shall be the property of the Corporation; and in case any such person or officer refuses or fails to deliver up or pay over the same respectively to the Corporation, or to any person authorized by the Council to demand them, he shall be deemed guilty of a fraudulent embezzlement thereof, and may be prosecuted and punished in the same manner as a servant fraudulently embezzling any chattel, money or valuable security of his master; but nothing herein shall affect any remedy of the Corporation or of any other person against the offender or his sureties, or any other party; nor shall the conviction of such offender be receivable in evidence in any suit, at law or in equity, against him.

STEALING WRITS OF ELECTIONS, POLL-BOOKS, &c.

Stealing or destroying, &c., certain documents, relating to Municipal Elections to be felony.

188. If any person steals, or unlawfully or maliciously, either by violence or stealth, takes from any Deputy Returning Officer or Poll Clerk or from any other person having the lawful custody thereof, or from its lawful place of deposit for the time being, or unlawfully or maliciously destroys, injures or obliterates, or causes to be wilfully or maliciously destroyed, injured or obliterated, or makes or causes to be made any erasure, addition of names or interlineation of names, into or upon, or aids, counsels or assists in so stealing, taking, destroying, injuring or obliterating, or in making any erasure, addition of names or interlineation of names into or upon any Writ of Election or any Return to a Writ of Election, or any Indenture, Poll Book, Certificate or Affidavit, or any other document or paper made, prepared or drawn out according to or for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the law in regard to Municipal Elections—every such offender shall be guilty of felony, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in the Provincial Penitentiary for any term not exceeding seven nor less than two years

Punishment.