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An Act to provide means to recover from the Corporation of the City of Montreal, part of the expense incurred in guarding the Common Gaol at that place.

WHEREAS by far the greater number of the prisoners detained in the Common Gaol for the District of Montreal, are persons charged with or convicted of crimes and criminal offences committed within the City of Montreal, and it is therefore just and proper that the Corporation of the said City should contribute towards defraying the expense of guarding the said Gaol: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

That it shall be lawful for and the duty of the Sheriff of the District of Montreal, on the first juridical day in each of the months of March, June, September and December in each and every year, beginning with the month of next after the passing of this Act, to furnish to the Clerk of the City of Montreal, for the information of the Council of the said City, a statement in writing of the probable expense of guarding the Common Gaol for the District of Montreal during the three months then next ensuing, over and above any sum of money applicable for that purpose which he may have in hand at the time of furnishing such statement; and the said Sheriff may by his warrant or warrants from time to time require the Council of the said City, out of the funds of the said City, to pay any sum or sums of money not exceeding two-thirds of the sum mentioned in the then last statement, and the Council of the said City shall thereupon cause the said sum or sums of money in the said warrant or warrants mentioned, to be paid to the said Sheriff by the Treasurer of the said City within forty days from the delivery of such warrant or warrants to the Clerk of the said City; Provided always, that the sum and sums of money so to be required and received from the Council of the said City, for the purposes and in the manner aforesaid, shall not in any one year exceed the sum of six hundred pounds; and that the application and expenditure thereof shall be accounted for by the said Sheriff to the Council of the said City on or before the last juridical day of each of the months of February, May, August, and November, in each and every year.

II. And be it enacted, That the Treasurer of the said City, at the time and times of making payment to the

Preamble.

Council of Montreal on warrant of the Sheriff to pay part of the expense of guarding the said Gaol.

Proviso.

Receipts and vouchers for payments