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An ORDINANCE

For establishing courts of civil judicature in the province of QUEBEC.

PREAMBLE.



HEREAS it is necessary to establish courts of civil judicature for the speedy administration of justice within this province,

It is therefore ordained and enacted, by his excellency the captain-general and governor in chief of this province, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative council of the same, **THAT**

ARTICLE I.

Division of the province into two districts.

For the ease and convenience of his majesty's subjects residing in different parts of this province, the same shall be, and hereby is divided into two districts, to be called and known by the names of *Quebec*, and *Montreal*; which said districts shall be divided and bounded by the river *Godfroy* on the south, and by the river *St. Maurice* on the north side of the river *St. Laurence*.

A R T. II.

Establishment of a court of common pleas for each district.

A court of civil jurisdiction, to be called the court of common-pleas, shall be and hereby is erected, constituted and established for each of the said districts, the one whereof shall sit at the city of *Quebec*, and the other at the city of *Montreal*, at least one day in every week for the decision of causes in which the value of the matter in dispute