

No. 121.

Improvement of
the Highways in
the Province.

Sleighs or Sleds hereby permitted to be used, nor unless the Shafts of such Carriage (if any there be) shall be attached to such Cariole, Train, Berline, or other Winter Carriage 'at the Height above the Bottom of the Runners herein-before prescribed, and fixed otherwise than under the Bottom thereof.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That when Two Winter Vehicles meet, or a Winter Vehicle meets a Person on Horseback, travelling on the same beaten Track of Snow, that it shall be the Duty of the Driver or Drivers of such Vehicle or Vehicles to drive their Horse or Horses or other Beast or Beasts of Draught to the Right, so that while passing but One of the Runners of such Vehicle or of each of such Vehicles shall occupy the beaten Track.

And be it therefore ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Provisions of this Ordinance shall extend and be applicable to all Public Roads defined and laid out, during the Winter Season, by lawful Authority, on the Rivers and other Waters when frozen, and on Land: Provided always, that the said Provisions shall not, during Three Years from the passing of this Ordinance, extend nor be construed to extend to any Public Road in the District of Quebec, except the main Public or Post Road by which Communication is had between the Town of Three Rivers and the City of Quebec.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That each and every Person offending against the Provisions of this Ordinance shall for each such Offence incur a Penalty of Ten Shillings Currency, on Conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace for the District, on the Oath of One credible Witness other than the Informer; and such Justice of the Peace may, if such Penalty be not forthwith paid with the Cost of the Prosecution, commit the Offender to the Common Gaol of the District for a Period not exceeding Eight Days.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That one Moiety of all pecuniary Penalties recovered under the Authority of this Ordinance shall be paid over to the Receiver General, and shall belong to Her Majesty for the public Uses of the Province, and the other Moiety shall belong to and be paid over to the Informer; and the due Application of all Monies so paid over for the public Use, or appropriated by this Ordinance, shall be accounted for to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, in such Manner and Form as Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, shall direct.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That Copies of this Ordinance shall be sent to each of the Grand Voyers for the District of Quebec, Montreal, and Three Rivers, who shall, within One Month from the passing of this Ordinance, forward one of such Copies to one of the Surveyors of Highways in each Parish in his District through which any Queen's Highway or Public Road passes, and such Surveyor shall cause it to be read at the Door of the Church of his Parish or Township immediately after Divine Service in the Forenoon, or at some other public Place if there be no Church, on the Three Sundays immediately following the Time at which he shall receive such Copy.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Ordinance passed in the Second Year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter Thirty-four, intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the Improvement, during the Winter Season, of the principal Post Roads from various Parts of the Province to Montreal, and for other Purposes," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

And be it further ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Ordinance shall be and is hereby made permanent, and shall remain in force until repealed or altered by competent Authority.

(Signed) C. POULETT THOMSON.

Ordained and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, and passed in Special Council under the Great Seal of the Province, at the Government House in the City of Montreal, the Thirteenth Day of May, in the Third Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the
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