

An Act for establishing a general system of Police in this Province, and an efficient Police Force in certain Cities and Towns, and in other places where the Municipal Authorities thereof shall require it.

WHEREAS it is expedient to repeal the laws establishing systems of Police and a Police Force in certain parts of this Province and for certain special purposes, and to establish an efficient and uniform system of Police for the whole Province, and to organize a competent Constabulary Force for carrying out the same in the Cities and certain of the larger Towns in this Province, a portion of the expenses of such force being defrayed out of Provincial Funds; and also to provide for extending similar advantages to other Towns and Municipalities on the application of the Municipal Authorities thereof: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. There shall be in and for this Province a Provincial Constabulary or Police Force to be constituted and organized as hereinafter provided.

II. The Governor may under an order or orders in Council, from time to time, and as may be found necessary, appoint by commission, under his hand and seal at arms, a Commissioner of Police, and not exceeding *three* first class Superintendents of Police, and *four* second class Superintendents of Police, a Paymaster, and such Clerks as may be found requisite, each of whom shall hold his office during pleasure.

III. The Governor in Council may from time to time authorize the Commissioner of Police to appoint by Warrant under his hand and seal, such numbers of Inspectors of Police, Sergeants of Police, and *Police Constables*, as the Governor may think proper, not exceeding
 Inspectors,
 Sergeants, or Constables, who shall
 respectively be selected by the Commissioner of Police, under the provisions hereinafter made, and such Constables shall be divided into two classes.

IV. The said Officers of the Police Force shall take rank and have command therein in the following order, that is to say: the Commissioner, the Paymaster, the first class Superintendents, the second class Superintendents, the Inspectors, the Sergeants, the Constables; Officers of the same grade employed