

Court ; and a copy of such conviction, or of such certificate of dismissal, certified by the proper Officer of the Court, or proved to be a true copy, shall be sufficient evidence to prove a conviction or dismissal for the offence mentioned therein, in any legal proceeding whatever.

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Restitution of the property may be ordered.

VIII. It shall be lawful for the Recorder, by whom any person is convicted under this Act, to order restitution of the property stolen, taken or obtained by false pretences, in those cases in which the Court, before whom the person convicted would have been tried but for this Act, may be by law authorized to order restitution.

Recorder's Court to be an open Public Court.

IX. Every Recorder's Court, for the purposes of this Act, shall be an open public Court, and a written or printed notice of the day and hour for holding such Court, shall be posted or affixed by the Clerk of the said Court upon the outside of some conspicuous part of the building or place where the same is held.

Provisions of 14, 15 V. c. 95, or of 16 V. c. 178, not to apply to proceedings under this Act.

X. The provisions of the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter ninety-five, or of the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter one hundred and seventy-eight, shall not be construed as applying to any proceeding under this Act.

Effect of conviction under this Act.

XI. Every conviction by a Recorder under this Act shall have the same effect as a conviction upon indictment for the same offence would have had, save that no conviction under this Act shall be attended with forfeiture.

Proceedings under this Act a bar to further proceedings.

XII. Every person who obtains a certificate of dismissal or is convicted under this Act, shall be released from all further or other criminal proceedings for the same cause.

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No conviction under this Act to be quashed for want of form.

XIII. No conviction, sentence or proceeding under this Act shall be quashed for want of form ; and no warrant of commitment upon a conviction shall be held void by reason of any defect therein, if it be therein alleged that the offender has been convicted, and there be a good and valid conviction to sustain the same.

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Powers given by this Act to Recorders may be exercised by certain other Functionaries.

XIV. The Inspector and Superintendent of Police for the City of Quebec, the Inspector and Superintendent of Police for the City of Montreal, and the Police Magistrate for any City in Upper Canada, sitting in open Court, may respectively in the case of persons charged before them, do all acts by this Act authorized to be done by Recorders, and all the provisions of this Act referring to Recorders and Recorder's Court and the Clerks of the Recorders Courts shall be read and construed also as referring to such Inspectors and Superintendents of the

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