[1858.

No. 231.]

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the City of Three Rivers.

BILL.

THEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act passed in the twenti- Preamble. eth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to make 20 Vic. 128. more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of Three Rivers"; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. Hereafter, notwithstanding the provisions of the eighth section of Notice of 5 the said Act, the notice of the municipal election for the the said city Election. may be signed by the officer presiding at the said election.

II. Notwithstanding the provisions of the second paragraph of the Two months' eleventh section of the said Act, the Mayor or any Councillor who shall, absence with out leave to be council paralect or fail to attend the mast 10 without the permission of the Council, neglect or fail to attend the meet- vacate seat of ings of the said Council during three consecutive months, whether he be mayor or or be not absent from the said city, may be superseded in the manner councillor. provided in the said section of the said Act.

III. If the election of the Mayor be contested, the mode of proceeding Contestation 15 in such contestation shall be the same as the contestation of elections of election of mayor. of Councillors.

IV. In addition to the power conferred on the Council, of choosing, in In case of the absence of the Mayor, one of their number to discharge the duties of absence of Chairman during any meeting, whenever the Mayor shall be absent, or visional mayor 20 shall, in the opinion of the Council, be about to absent himself during the may be period of at least one month, the Council may appoint one of their num- appointed. ber to act as pro-mayor, and during the absence of the Mayor all his powers shall be vested in the Councillor so appointed, who shall also perform all the duties of his office.

V. Notwithstanding any thing to the contrary in the forty-first section Property may 25 of the said Act, it shall be lawful for the Council to sell in the manner be sold for arrears of provided in the said section any real property, whenever the taxes pay- taxes, &c. able in respect of such property shall have remained unpaid for the space of two years, either before or since the passing of the said Act,

- 30 or whenever two years arrears of rent shall be found due, in case such property is situated on the common of the said city; and if the proprietor or occupant of any lot within the said city shall neglect or refuse to make, improve, repair, and keep in good order any road, street, lane, footway, fence, drain, or bridge, as required by law, it shall be lawful
- 35 for the Council to make, improve, repair, and maintain the same, and keep them in good order at the expense of such proprietor or occupant, and to lease or sell the said property, or a portion thereof, without delay, for the recovery of the amount so expended by the said Council.