An Act to amend Chapter Six of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting Tavern Licenses.

HEREAS the Municipal Council of the City of Montreal have Preamble.

experienced serious difficulties in performing the duty devolved upon them of considering and recommending the granting of licenses to hotels, taverns, temperance hotels, and other houses of public entertainment; and whereas it is expedient to amend chapter six of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, entituled: "An Act respecting Tavern Keepers and the sale of intoxicating Liquors," in so far as it relates to the City of Montreal:—

Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the 10 Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. The powers conferred on the Municipal Council of the City of Board estabMontreal by sections nine, eleven and thirteen of the said Act, and lished for apwhich provide for the approval or disapproval of the certificate necessary proval, etc. of
for the obtaining of a license, shall hereafter be exercised by a Board
15 composed of the Mayor, the Recorder, and the Judge of the Sessions of
the Peace of the said City; and it shall be the duty of the said Board,
to determine the persons whose certificates shall be confirmed and approved, and to require proof under oath (to be administered by any one
of the Members of the said board) that the signatures attached to the
20 said certificates are authentic, and are the signatures of persons domiciled
and inscribed as required by the said Act: Provided always, that the Proviso.
said Council shall retain the power of fixing and limiting the number of
licenses which may be granted in each ward of the said City.

- 2. The form of confirmation and approval of the said certificates, at Form of ap25 the end of Schedule B, annexed to the said Act, shall be modified, in so proval of cerfar as it concerns the City of Montreal, so as to correspond with the tificates.

  provisions of this Act, and such confirmation instead of being signed
  by the Mayor and Clerk of the said City, shall be signed by a majority
  of the Members of the Board.
- 30. Every petitioner shall be bound to present his papers and the neces-Proceedings sary certificate at the office of the Recorder's Court, and at the same by petitioners to deposit the sum of two dollars to defray the cost of the advertisement hereinafter mentioned and the other incidental expenses.
- 4. The Board established by this Act shall not confirm or approve Confirmation 35 any certificate, until after the expiration of eight clear days from the not to be publication of the advertisement of the christian and surname, and of certain period the residence of the petitioner, and of the ward in which he intends to keep his establishment, in one newspaper published in the English language and one published in the French language in the City of 40 Montreal.