

VII. It shall be lawful for the said Recorder's Court to hear, try and determine any case of common assault or assault and battery arising within the said City, upon complaint of the party aggrieved praying the said Court to proceed therein under this Act, in the same manner and to the same effect, and subject to the same provisions, as any Justice of the Peace may by law now summarily hear, try and determine any complaint of any such offence, and also to hear, try and determine any complaint under the Act passed in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: "*An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions contained in the Ordinances to incorporate the City and Town of Quebec, and to vest more ample powers in the Corporation of the said City and Town;*" against any person for assaulting or resisting any officer or constable appointed under the said Act in the execution of his duty, or for aiding or inciting any person so to assault or resist.

Court may try certain cases of assault, &c.

18 V. c. 159.

VIII. In case of sickness or absence of the Recorder above mentioned, a Deputy may be appointed by the Crown to act during the sickness or absence of the said Recorder, which said Deputy shall be a Barrister of that part of the Province of Canada, heretofore Lower Canada, of not less than five years' standing, or shall be *ex officio* a Justice of the Peace, in and for the said City and District of Quebec during his continuance in office as Deputy of the said Recorder; but shall not be appointed until after the Corporation of the said City shall have communicated to the Governor of this Province, through the Provincial Secretary thereof, their opinion that such an officer is required for the better conduct of the affairs of the said City and administration of justice therein.

In case of sickness &c., of Recorder, Governor may appoint a Deputy.

Proviso.

IX. It shall be lawful for the Clerk of the said Recorder's Court of Quebec, from time to time, by an instrument under his hand and seal, to be acknowledged by him before and duly deposited and filed in the office of the said Recorder's Court, and entered and recorded in the Register thereof, to appoint one fit and proper person to be and act as his Deputy in the discharge of all and every his duties as Clerk of the said Recorder's Court, and to remove any person so appointed and appoint another in his stead; and each and every person so appointed shall at all times, while his said appointment shall remain in force and unrevoked, be to all intents and purposes a Clerk of the said Recorder's Court.

Clerk of the Court may appoint a Deputy.

X. Nothing in this Act contained, shall in any manner derogate from or affect, or be construed to derogate from or affect the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, except in so far only as the same may be expressly derogated from or affected by the provisions of this Act.

Rights of the Crown saved.

XI. The words "Governor of this Province," whenever they occur in this Act, shall be understood as meaning the Governor, or any person authorised to execute the commission of Governor within this Province for the time being; and the word "Councillor" and the word "Councillors," whenever they occur in this Act, shall be understood as meaning any member or members of the said Council of the City of Quebec, unless by the context it shall appear clearly that the words "Councillor" or "Councillors," respectively, are intended to apply exclusively to a member of the said Council, who is not the Mayor of the said City; and the words "the said Corporation," or "the said Corporation of the City of Quebec," whenever they occur in this Act, shall be understood as meaning the said Corporation of "the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of Quebec," unless the context necessarily requires a different meaning to be

Interpretation clause.