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An Act to amend the Act 16 Vict., chapter
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An Act to amend the Act 16 Vic., chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Musk-rats.

W^HE^REAS the Act 16 Vict., chapter 171, intituled "An Act to Preamble. amend the Act prohibiting the hunting and killing of Deer and other Game within this Province at certain seasons of the year," does not accomplish the purpose for which it was passed, in so far as concerns the period fixed for the hunting of the Muskrat; therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. The third section of the said Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted:—"From and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, within the limits of the Counties of St. Maurice, Maskinongé, Berthier, Yamaska and Richelieu, respectively, to kill, shoot, destroy, sell, or offer for sale, purchase, receive, or have in his or their possession, any Muskrat, between the tenth day of May of any year and the first day of March of the following year; and any person who shall, within the limits of the said Counties, kill, shoot, or destroy, or sell, or offer for sale, buy or receive, or have in his or her possession any Muskrat between the tenth day of May of any year and the first day of March, shall, upon being convicted of such offence, be subject to the fines and penalties imposed by the Act cited in the preamble to this Act."

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