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No. 245.

4th Session, 3rd Parliament, 14 & 15 Vict., 1851.

BILL.

An Act to repeal the Act for the protection of certain species of Game, in the County of L'Islet, and to enable the Municipalities of the said County to make regulations for that purpose.

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An Act to repeal the Act for the protection of certain species of Game, in the County of L'Islet, and to enable the Municipalities of the said County to make regulations for that purpose.

WHEREAS the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act for the better preservation of certain Wild Fowl in the County of L'Islet,*" has failed to attain the object for which it was passed, and it is expedient to make better provision for the preservation of Wild Fowl in the said County of L'Islet, in the manner hereinafter mentioned: Be it enacted, &c.

Preamble.

9 Vict. c. 76.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Act first above cited shall be and is hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That the Municipal Councils of the Municipality of the County of L'Islet, Number One, and of the Municipality of the County of L'Islet Number Two, and the Corporation of the Village of Montmagny in the said County of L'Islet, shall be and they are hereby respectively authorised to make such by-laws, rules and regulations for determining at what seasons and in what manner it shall be lawful for any person to shoot, take, hunt, kill or destroy any wild swan, wild goose, wild duck, teal, widgeon or snipe, within their respective limits, and to appoint such and so many overseers for enforcing the observance of the said by-laws rules and regulations, in the several Parishes and Islands within their said respective limits, as they shall deem necessary or expedient.

Municipalities in L'Islet to make by laws for protection of game in that County.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That within fifteen days at furthest from the passing of any such by-law, or of any amendment, alteration or modification thereof by any of the said Municipalities or Corporation respectively, due notice thereof shall be given by the respective Secretary-Treasurers of the said Municipalities or Corporation, who shall cause the same to be read and posted at the doors of the Churches of the respective Parishes and Islands comprised within the jurisdiction of the said Corporation respectively, after the Municipalities or celebration of High Mass on the first or second Sunday which shall occur in the said fifteen days after the passing of any such by-law or amendment.

Notice of passing of by-laws to be given by Secretary-Treasurers.

Penalties to
be recovered
under 7 Vict.
c. 12.

IV. And be it enacted, That any person or persons offending against any by-law made under the authority of this Act shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *Five Pounds*, nor less than *Five Shillings*, to be recovered and applied, except as hereinafter provided, in the same 5 manner and under the same provisions as any penalty imposed by the Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act to prohibit the hunting and killing of Deer, and other Game within this Province, at certain seasons of the year;*" and with like 10 power to the convicting Justices to commit the offender to Gaol in default of payment of the penalty; provided always, that no party shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period exceeding *thirty days*, in the event of his failing to pay any penalty recovered against him 15 under this Act, anything in the said last mentioned Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proviso.

Moiety of
penalties to go
to Secretary-
Treasurer of
Municipality.

V. And be it enacted, That the moiety of all penalties recovered under this Act, or under the above last in part recited Act, or the Act passed in the eighth year of 20 Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act to prevent certain wild Fowl and Snipes from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province,*" and which in and by the said Acts is directed to be paid to the 25 Treasurer of the District within which the offence for which any such penalty shall be incurred, shall have been committed, shall, notwithstanding any thing in the said Acts contained, be paid over, in the said county of L'Islet, to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporation or 30 Municipality within the jurisdiction whereof the offence shall be committed, to be applied to the uses of the said Municipalities or Corporation respectively.

Indians
exempted.

VI. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, nor in any by-law, rule or regulation to be passed 35 as aforesaid, shall extend or be construed to extend to the people usually called Indians.