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1st Session, 4th Parliament, 16th Victoria, 1853.

BILL.

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

(Inside title to serve for third reading.)

Received and Read a first time, Wednesday, 4th
May, 1853.

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BILL.

[No. 387.

An Act to repeal the Act for the protection of certain species of Game in the County of l'Islet, and a certain other Act relating to the same subject, 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, 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

That the Act first above cited shall be and is hereby repealed, and the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to prevent certain Wild Fowl and Snipe from being destroyed at improper seasons of the year, and to prevent the trapping of Grouse and Quail in this Province,*" in so far only as regards the County of l'Islet, shall be, and is hereby also repealed.

9 V. c. 76 repealed, and 8 V. c. 46 repealed, as regards l'Islet.

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 authorized to make such By-laws, Rules and Regulations, for determining at what season, 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: 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

Municipalities of l'Islet to make By-laws respecting shooting of game.

Proviso; By-laws to be published.

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 Municipalities or Corporation respectively, after the 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. 5

Persons of-
fending
against By-
laws liable to
certain pen-
alties recover-
able as under
7 V. c. 12,
which Act is
partly repeal-
ed as regards
l'Islet.

III. 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 manner and under the same provision 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,*" which said Act shall hereafter be in force in the said County of l'Islet, only in so far as relates to such penalty, and in so far as it is amended in that respect by this Act; and the convicting Justices shall also have power 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 under this Act, anything in the said last mentioned Act, to the contrary notwithstanding: And provided also, that one-half of the penalties recovered under this Act, for offences committed in the said County of l'Islet, shall be paid over to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporation or Municipality within the jurisdiction whereof the offence shall be committed, to be applied to the uses of the said Municipalities or Corporation respectively. 10 15 20 25

This Act not
to apply to
Indians.

IV. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, nor in any By-law, Rule or Regulation to be passed as aforesaid, shall extend or be construed to extend, to the people usually called Indians. 30