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3rd Session, 8th Parliament, 61 Victoria, 1898

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An Act to secure the better observance
of the Lord's Day, commonly called
Sunday, as a day of rest.

First reading, February 8, 1898.

Mr. CHARLTON.

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An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, as a day of rest.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. *The Criminal Code, 1892,* is hereby amended by adding 1892, c. 29
5 the following section thereto immediately after section 173:— amended.

“**173A.** Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on publication or
summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars and
costs for the first offence, and not exceeding one hundred
dollars and costs for each subsequent offence, and in default of
10 payment to one month's imprisonment, who,—

“(a.) Being the proprietor, publisher or manager of any
newspaper, publishes or issues, or prepares for publication or
issue, any copy or number of such newspaper for sale on
Sunday, or with the intent that such copy or number shall be
15 sold on Sunday; or

“(b.) Sells or employs or procures any person to sell any
newspaper on Sunday;

“Provided that the publishing or issuing or preparing for publication or issue of any copy or number of a religious news-
20 paper for distribution on Sunday, or with the intent that it shall be distributed on Sunday, shall not be an offence under
this section.

“2. The word ‘newspaper’ in this section has the same “Newspaper” meaning as it has under paragraph (p1) of section 3, in the defined.
25 sections relating to defamatory libel.

“3. No prosecution for an offence against this section shall Time for
be commenced after the expiration of one month from the prosecution limited.
commission of such offence.”