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An Act to amend the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Lower Canada Consolidated Preamble.

Municipal Act, in so far as relates to the powers common to all Local Councils, and to grant to such councils, in addition to the powers already conferred upon them, that of making By-laws for the prevention of accidents by fire: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. In addition to the general powers already conferred upon the councils of Local Municipalities in Lower Canada, such councils may, when they shall deem it necessary for the prevention of accidents by fire in their respective Municipalities, but only in case there shall be more than one person interested, make by-laws to compel proprietors or occupants of houses to have one or more chimneys in such houses, and also to regulate the manner of placing such chimneys, and stoves, stove-pipes, furnaces or ovens, and of keeping ashes; for preventing persons from entering stables, barns, outbuildings or sheds with lights not enclosed in lanterns, or with lighted cigars or pipes, or from carrying fire thereto without proper precaution; for preventing any person from keeping fire in any outbuilding, shed or other wooden building, unless such fire is placed in a chimney or in a stove of iron or other metal, and from carrying it in any street, public square, garden or yard, unless it be enclosed in a metal vessel; and for compelling the proprietors of barns, haylofts, or other buildings containing combustible or inflammable substances, to keep the doors thereof closed, except in case of necessity.

2. The by-laws which shall be made by local councils in virtue of the foregoing section, may be carried into effect by the officers whose duty it is, under the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act, to execute the by-laws of local councils, or by any other persons whom any council may think proper to appoint for that purpose: And all fines and penalties which may be imposed or inflicted upon any person who shall infringe the by-laws made in virtue of this Act, shall be limited to the same amount and shall be levied in the same manner, as those which may be imposed and inflicted under the Lower Canada Consolidated Municipal Act for the infringement of the by-laws of such local councils.