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An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the City of Québec. (3d April, 1833)

Whereas it would be more expedient that the Election of common Council men for the several Wards of the City of Quebec, should take place earlier in each year than the time appointed by the Act passed in the first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to incorporate the City of Quebec," Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America,' and to make further provisions for the Government of the said Province." And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Justices of the Peace for the City of Quebec shall, within ten days after the passing of this Act and in the manner provided by the Act herein before cited, appoint and give notice of the time and place of the Election of the Common Council men for each Ward of the said City, and such Election shall take place at the time so appointed, which shall not be more than six weeks after the passing of this Act.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Election of one common Council man for each Ward of the said City shall take place annually in the course of the last seven days of the month of March, and the notice of every such Election shall be given by the Common Council, in the manner provided by, and under such provisions of the Act herein before cited as are not contrary to those of this Act.

III. And to prevent any misinterpretation of the said Act, be it further enacted and declared by the authority aforesaid, that one of the Common Council-men for each Ward of the said City shall go out of office, on that day in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and in every subsequent year on which the Election of Common Council-men for each Ward shall take place, and the two Common Council-men of each Ward shall draw lots between themselves on some of the last seven days of the month of February in the said last mentioned year, for the purpose of deciding which of them shall retire from office on the day of the then next Election; as aforesaid. And that in each succeeding year the senior common council-man in each Ward shall retire from Office on the day which shall be fixed in the manner hereinbefore provided for holding the Elections of Common Council-men in and for the several Wards of the said City.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if the votes of the Common Council, at any Election of a Mayor of the said City, after the second Election of Common

Council-men, shall be equally divided, the senior Justice of the Peace residing in the said City of Quebec, shall choose and declare such of the persons for whom the votes shall so have been equally divided as he shall think most fit to be the Mayor, and such person shall be the Mayor, accordingly.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and remain in force until the expiration of the Act hereinbefore cited and no longer.