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An Act to authorise the Magistrates of the City of Montreal, to erect forty temporary Stalls on the New Market Place, and to borrow a certain sum of Money for that purpose. (14th April, 1808.)

Whereas a certain Act passed in the forty seventh year of his Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act for building a new Market House in the City of Montreal, for removing part of the Stalls on the Old Market Place, and regulating the same, and to authorise the borrowing a certain sum of money for those purposes," could not be carried into execution, the Magistrates of the said City of Montreal, having been unable to procure on loan, the necessary sum of money to that effect; and whereas present circumstances do not afford any prospect, that the said Magistrates, for some years to come, can effect the borrowing of the said sum of money; and therefore, for the convenience of the Inhabitants of the said City, it would be proper and expedient, to provide for the building of temporary Stalls, for selling and exposing to sale, all kinds of Butchers Meat, and other commodities on the said New Market Place. 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 of, 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 provision for the Government of the said Province." And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Magistrates for the City and District of Montreal, or any five of them, being resident within the said City of Montreal or the Suburbs thereof, are hereby authorised to erect, and cause to be built, forty temporary Stalls on the said New Market Place, of such form and dimensions, as they shall see fit and proper, for the public utility, and for the purpose of selling and exposing for sale, all kinds of Butchers Meat and other articles of provision, under such rules and regulations of Police, as the said Magistrates are authorised to make, by virtue of an Act passed in the forty second year of his Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to provide for the more effectual regulations of the Police, within the Cities of Quebec and Montreal and Town of Three Rivers; also for extending regulations of Police to other Towns and villages in certain cases, and for repealing the Acts or Ordinances therein mentioned."

II. And be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, that to defray the expences of building the said forty Stalls as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Magistrates, or any five of them, by a resolve passed in a special Session, to borrow, on legal interest, a sum of money, not exceeding two hundred and fifty pounds currency; and for the repayment of the

same with interest, they are hereby authorised to rent the said Stalls, by public auction, or private bargain, as shall be judged most fit.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said New Market Place and Stalls thereon, shall be, under the direction of the said Magistrates, who shall establish a table of Fees to be paid to the Clerk of the Market, in the said City of Montreal, and the said Clerk for the time being, shall oversee the carrying into effect, all rules and regulations of Police touching the said New Market, and streets adjoining thereto, as shall be made by the said Magistrates, and under such Penalties against the said Clerk of the Market, for neglect of duty, as shall be prescribed in the said Rules and Regulations.

IV. Provided always and it is hereby further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing contained in this Act, shall extend or be construed to extend to alter or repeal in any manner, an Act passed in the forty seventh year of His Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act for building a New Market House in the City of Montreal, for removing part of the Stalls on the Old Market place, and regulating the same; and to authorise the borrowing a certain sum of money for those purposes," and that as soon as the Magistrates of the said City of Montreal shall have been enabled to borrow the sum of money in the aforesaid Act mentioned, and shall have appropriated the same, to the building of the said New Market House, then this present Act shall be void, and of no effect.