

of May which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty three.

CAP. LVII.

An Act to amend Chapter 138, Title XXXVII, of the Revised Statutes, "Of Summary Convictions," so far as the same may apply to the Parish of Portland.

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- 1. Police Magistrate may act in cases triable before two Justices.
- 2. Trial of larceny or receipt of stolen goods of the value of 40s. may be before the

Police Magistrate and two other Magistrates:

- 3. All fines and costs, when Police Magistrate presides, to be paid to the Police Treasurer.

Passed 1st May 1856.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows :—

1. In any information or complaint laid before the Portland Police Magistrate, under any Act or Statute wherein it is required that the same must be heard and determined by two or more Justices of the Peace, (larceny or receiving stolen goods excepted) that prosecution may hereafter be made thereon and dealt with by the Police Magistrate or Justice acting in his place.

2. When any person shall be charged with any larceny or any offence of receiving stolen goods, whenever the value of the property stolen shall not exceed forty shillings, it shall be lawful for the said Police Magistrate together with any two Magistrates for the City and County of Saint John, forthwith to hear and determine such offence, and on conviction either by confession or on the testimony of one or more credible witness or witnesses, the said Magistrates are hereby authorized and empowered to commit the offender to the common gaol or Provincial Penitentiary, in the discretion of the said Magistrates, for any term not exceeding six months.

3. All moneys ordered or levied for fines, penalties, or costs in any case in which the Portland Police Magistrate shall preside alone or with any other Magistrate at the Police Office in the Police district, shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Portland Police, when recovered, to the purposes and provisions of the Portland Police Act, any thing to the contrary thereof in the Act imposing such fine, penalty, or costs, notwithstanding.