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20 Victoria – Chapter 122

An Act to remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal. Assented to 27th May, 1857.

Whereas doubts have arisen as to the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, to act in all cases as Justices of the Peace: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, declares and enacts as follows:

I. The Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal respectively, have been and are, in virtue of their offices, Justices of the Peace for the Judicial Districts in which the above Cities are respectively situate, and vested with all the powers and authorities within the limits of their respective jurisdictions, of any one or two Justices of the Peace, as the case may require; and all judgments, convictions and decisions rendered or to be rendered by them, respectively, have had and shall have the same force and effect as if rendered by one or two Justices of the Peace whose names are included in the Commission of the Peace for the Districts within which such Inspectors and Superintendents of Police are respectively appointed to act.