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Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada, passed in the year 1846. Montreal: Stewart Derbishire & George Desbarats, 1846.

9 Victoria – Chapter 23

An Act to amend the Act amending certain provisions of the Ordinance for establishing an efficient system of Police in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal. 23rd May, 1846.

Whereas experience has shewn that it is necessary to alter and amend a certain part of the Act of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, An Act to alter and amend certain provisions of the Ordinance of the Governor and Council of Lower Canada, of the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Ordinance for establishing an efficient system of Police in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That, from and after the passing of this Act, so much of the said recited Act as makes it lawful for any Justice or Justices of the Peace to levy the penalty imposed upon persons convicted under the said Ordinance of being loose, idle and disorderly, by attachment of their several goods and chattels and sale thereof, in all and every the cases mentioned in the said Act, shall be and the same is hereby repealed: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for any Justice or Justices of the Peace, by whom any person shall be convicted under the said Ordinance of being loose, idle and disorderly, to adjudge that such person shall pay the penalty imposed by the said recited Act, either immediately or within such period as he or they shall think fit; and that in default of payment at the time appointed, he or she shall be imprisoned in the Common Gaol or House of Correction at hard labour, for any time not exceeding two calendar months, the imprisonment to cease upon payment of the sum due.