

prescribed delay, the Attorney-General or the Solicitor-General, may authorize a competent person to take possession thereof and to transmit them to the locality specified.

Continuation
of proceed-
ings.

5. After the records, registers, documents and archives of a magistrate's court which has been abolished, shall have been transmitted to the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court indicated, all proceedings pending and all judgments not executed in such magistrate's court, may be continued and executed before such Circuit Court, as if they had been commenced and obtained before it, subject however to the following provisions.

Suspension
of prescrip-
tion and
proceedings.

6. Prescription and all delays incidental to procedure in every case pending before a magistrate's court which shall have been so abolished, shall be suspended and shall cease to run, from the day fixed for the abolition of such court, until the juridical day next ensuing after that on which the record of such case, registers, documents and archives of such magistrate's court referring thereto, shall have been deposited in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court indicated.

Titles and
numbers
of the cases.

7. The title and number of each such pending case shall be the title and number which shall be given to it by the clerk of the circuit court to which it shall have been transmitted.

Continuance
of proceed-
ings,
without
notice.

8. For the continuance of proceedings in such pending cases before the circuit court, it shall not be necessary to give any notice except such as would have been necessary if the magistrate's court had not been abolished.

Act in force.

9. The present act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C A P . I X .

An Act for the suppression of party processions

[Assented to 20th July, 1878.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS various persons, distinguishing themselves by ribbons, emblems and other distinct marks of party spirit, have, on previous occasions, assembled in large numbers and marched in procession in the city of Montreal, on certain holidays, anniversaries

and other occasions, to celebrate certain political events; and whereas it is established that these celebrations, under whatever pretext they have taken place, deeply offend a large portion of the faithful subjects of Her Majesty, excite the passions and perpetuate animosities subversive of social order and dangerous to the public peace, and it is in consequence expedient to prohibit them altogether; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. No assemblage of persons shall parade the streets of the city of Montreal, nor march in procession therein for such purpose, and no assemblage of persons shall parade or march in procession therein, to celebrate or commemorate any political anniversary or event having reference to religious or other distinctions existing between any class of the subjects of Her Majesty, or to make any demonstration of such religious or other distinctions, and no one shall carry or display banners, flags, ensigns or emblems of a nature tending to create animosities between subjects of Her Majesty of different religious beliefs, or to be accompanied by any band of music tending to excite feelings of this nature; and whoever shall be found in any such assemblage shall, on conviction before the Recorder of the said city, the Police Magistrate or two Justices of the Peace, be liable, in the discretion of the court, to a fine not exceeding twenty dollars and in default of immediate payment of the said fine and costs, to an imprisonment not exceeding one month.

Party processions in the streets of Montreal, forbidden.

Penalty.

2. Any justice or justices of the Peace may and shall be take himself or themselves, with such assistance as may be necessary, to the spot where any such procession or assemblage shall take place contrary to the provisions of the present act; and such justices of the Peace or any one of them or any other person by their order shall then and there read or repeat in a loud tone of voice to the persons so assembled, an order or notice to disperse, in the term or substance of Schedule A annexed to this act.

Powers and duties of justices of the peace.

3. Upon such order or notice being given, the persons so congregated and assembled shall disperse and depart immediately; and in case any persons, congregated and assembled as aforesaid, do not disperse and depart, in obedience to the order or notice, all such persons shall incur the penalty mentioned in the first section of the present act.

Notice to disperse.

Certain processions, exempted.

4. Nothing in the present act shall extend to any procession of the clergy or of the faithful of any church or other communion or religious belief, which shall take place in the exercise of public worship, or to celebrate any religious ceremony ordained by any such church or other communion or religious belief or in obedience to the usages or discipline thereof, and in which the priests or ministers of such church or other communion or religious belief shall take part.

Time to proceed, limited.

5. All proceedings taken against any person for anything done in virtue of this act, must be taken within six calendar months following the case which has given rise thereto.

Act in force

6. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

SCHEDULE A.

Schedule.

Our Sovereign Lady the Queen strictly enjoins and commands all persons assembled here, to disperse and to peaceably depart, under the penalties imposed by the act of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, intituled : " An act for the suppression of party processions."

C A P . X .

An act to further amend the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec.

[Assented to 20th July, 1878.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Art. 4, M. C., amended.

1. Article 4 is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph :

" 5. To have a seal, of which however the use shall not be obligatory."

Art. 37a, amended.

2. Article 37a is amended by adding after the words : " united townships," in the fifth line, the following words : " or of several contiguous townships situated in the same county. "

Art. 38, amend.d.

3. Article 38 is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph :