

CAP. XXXVIII.

An Act to authorize the Council of the City of Montreal to pass by-laws to prohibit proprietors and others from leasing their buildings or causing them to be occupied for purposes of prostitution.

[Assented to 24th December, 1870.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of the city of Montreal have, by their petition, represented that it has become necessary, in the interest of the said city, to obtain authority to pass a by-law to more effectually restrain prostitution, and prohibit proprietors and others from knowingly leasing their buildings for purposes of prostitution; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Power to pass by-laws prohibiting the leasing or allowing the use of houses for purposes of prostitution.

1. The council of the said city of Montreal shall have power and authority to pass by-laws to prohibit proprietors, usufructuaries or *grevés de substitution* and all others from knowingly leasing, sub-letting, causing or allowing to be occupied any houses, premises, or buildings whatsoever to or by persons of ill-fame for purposes of prostitution, and by such by-laws to impose a penalty for any violation thereof, not exceeding two hundred dollars currency, or imprisonment in the common gaol in the city of Montreal for a period not exceeding six months, and in default of immediate payment of the penalty, and all costs of prosecution, (if a penalty instead of imprisonment is by the conviction imposed), the offender shall be imprisoned in the said common gaol for a period of six months, unless such penalty and all costs shall be sooner paid.

CAP. XXXIX.

An Act to amend the provisions of the act to incorporate the city of St. Hyacinthe.

[Assented to 24th December, 1870.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to repeal and amend the act passed in the session held in the twenty-seventh year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter twenty-second, intitled: "An Act to amend the provisions of the act to incorporate the city of St. Hyacinthe; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

