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CHAP. 29.

An Act respecting the Criminal Law.

[Assented to 9th July, 1892.]

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

TITLE I.

INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS.

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

- 1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as The Criminal Short title. Code, 1892.
- 2. This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, Commence-1893.
- 3. In this Act the following expressions have the mean-Explanation ings assigned to them in this section unless the context of terms. requires otherwise:
- (a.) The expression "any Act," or "any other Act," includes any Act passed or to be passed by the Parliament of Canada, or any Act passed by the legislature of the late province of Canada, or passed or to be passed by the legislature of any province of Canada, or passed by the legislature of any province included in Canada before it was included therein; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2 (a).
- (b.) The expression "Attorney-General" means the Attorney-General or Solicitor-General of any province in Canada in which any proceedings are taken under this Act, and, with respect to the North-west Territories and the district of Keewatin, the Attorney-General of Canada; R.S.C., c. 150, s. 2 (a).

(c.) The expression "banker" includes any director of any incorporated bank or banking company; R.S.C., c. 164,

s. 2 (g).

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- (d.) The expression "cattle," includes any horse, mule, ass, swine, sheep or goat, as well as any neat cattle or animal of the bovine species, and by whatever technical or familiar name known, and shall apply to one animal as well as to many; R.S.C, c. 172, s. 1.
- (e.) The expression "Court of Appeal" includes the following courts: R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2 (h).
 - (i.) In the province of Ontario, any division of the High Court of Justice;
 - (ii.) In the province of Quebec, the Court of Queen's

Bench, appeal side;

- (iii.) In the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia, and in the North-west Territories, the Supreme Court in banc;
- (iv.) In the province of Prince Edward Island, the Supreme Court of Judicature;
- (v.) In the province of Manitoba, the Court of Queen's Bench;
- (f.) The expression "district, county or place" includes any division of any province of Canada for purposes relative to the administration of justice in criminal cases; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2(f).
- (g.) The expression "document of title to goods" includes any bill of lading, India warrant, dock warrant, warehouse-keeper's certificate, warrant or order for the delivery or transfer of any goods or valuable thing, bought and sold note, or any other document used in the ordinary course of business as proof of the possession or control of goods, authorizing or purporting to authorize, either by endorsement or by delivery, the possessor of such document to transfer or receive any goods thereby represented or therein mentioned or referred to; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2 (a).
- (h.) The expression "document of title to lands" includes any deed, map, paper or parchment, written or printed, or partly written and partly printed, being or containing evidence of the title, or any part of the title, to any real property, or to any interest in any real property, or any notarial or registrar's copy thereof, or any duplicate instrument, memorial, certificate or document authorized or required by any law in force in any part of Canada respecting registration of titles, and relating to such title; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2 (b).
- (i.) The expression "explosive substance" includes any materials for making an explosive substance; also any apparatus, machine, implement, or materials used, or intended to be used, or adapted for causing, or aiding in causing, any explosion in or with any explosive substance; and also any, part of any such apparatus, machine or implement; R.S.C. c. 150, s. 2 (b).

- (j.) Finding the indictment includes also exhibiting an information and making a presentment; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2(d).
- (k.) Having in one's possession, includes not only having in one's own personal possession, but also knowingly—

(i.) having in the actual possession or custody of any

other person; and

- (ii.) having in any place (whether belonging to or occupied by one's self or not) for the use or benefit of one's self or of any other person; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2 (l); c. 165, s. 2; c. 167, s. 2; c. 171, s. 3; 50-51 V., c. 45, s. 2 (e).
- If there are two or more persons, any one or more of whom, with the knowledge and consent of the rest, have any such thing in his or their custody or possession, it shall be deemed and taken to be in the custody and possession of each and all of them;
- (l.) The expressions "indictment" and "count" respectively include information and presentment as well as indictment, and also any plea, replication or other pleading, and any record; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2 (c).
- (m.) The expression "intoxicating liquor" means and includes any alcoholic, spirituous, vinous, fermented or other intoxicating liquor, or any mixed liquor a part of which is spirituous or vinous, fermented or otherwise intoxicating; R.S.C., c. 151, s. 1 (d).
- (n.) The expression "justice" means a justice of the peace, and includes two or more justices, if two or more justices act or have jurisdiction, and also any person having the power or authority of two or more justices of the peace; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2 (b).
- (a.) The expression "loaded arms" includes any gun, pistol or other arm loaded with gunpowder, or other explosive substance, and ball, shot, slug or other destructive material, or charged with compressed air and ball, shot, slug or other destructive material;
- (o-1.) The expression "military law" includes The Militia Act and any orders, rules and regulations made thereunder, the Queen's Regulations and Orders for the Army; any Act of the United Kingdom or other law applying to Her Majesty's troops in Canada, and all other orders, rules and regulations of whatever nature or kind soever to which Her Majesty's troops in Canada are subject;
- (p.) The expression "municipality" includes the corporation of any city, town, village, county, township, parish or other territorial or local division of any province of Canada, the inhabitants whereof are incorporated or have the right of holding property for any purpose; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2(j).
- (p-1.) In the sections of this Act relating to defamatory libel the word "newspaper" shall mean any paper, magazine or periodical containing public news, intelligence or occurrences, or any remarks or observations thereon, printed

for sale and published periodically, or in parts or numbers, at intervals not exceeding thirty-one days between the publication of any two such papers, parts or numbers, and also any paper, magazine or periodical printed in order to be dispersed and made public, weekly or oftener, or at intervals not exceeding thirty-one days, and containing only or principally advertisements;

(a.) The expression "night" or "night time" means the interval between nine o'clock in the afternoon and six o'clock in the forenoon of the following day, and the expression "day" or "day time" includes the interval between six o'clock in the forenoon and nine o'clock in the afternoon of

the same day;

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(r.) The expression "offensive weapon" includes any gun or other firearm, or air-gun, or any part thereof, or any sword, sword blade, bayonet, pike, pike-head, spear, spear-head, dirk. dagger, knife, or other instrument intended for cutting or stabbing, or any metal knuckles, or other deadly or dangerous weapon, and any instrument or thing intended to be used as a weapon, and all ammunition which may be used with or for any weapon; R.S.C., c. 151, s. 1 (c).

(s.) The expression "peace officer" includes a mayor, warden, reeve, sheriff, deputy sheriff, sheriff's officer, and justice of the peace, and also the warden, keeper or guard of a penitentiary and the gaoler or keeper of any prison, and any police officer, police constable, bailiff, constable or other person employed for the preservation and maintenance of the public peace, or for the service or

execution of civil process;

(t.) The expressions "person," "owner," and other expressions of the same kind include Her Majesty and all public bodies, bodies corporate, societies, companies, and inhabitants of counties, parishes, municipalities or other districts in relation to such acts and things as they are capable of. doing and owning respectively;

(u.) The expression "prison" includes any penitentiary, common gaol, public or reformatory prison, lock-up, guard room or other place in which persons charged with the commission of offences are usually kept or detained in

custody;

- (v.) The expression "property" includes: R.S.C., c. 164. s. 2 (e).
 - (i.) every kind of real and personal property, and all deeds and instruments relating to or evidencing the title or right to any property, or giving a right to recover or receive any money or goods;
 - (ii.) not only such property as was originally in the possession or under the control of any person, but also any property into or for which the same has been converted or exchanged and anything acquired by such conversion or exchange, whether immediately or otherwise;

(iii.)

(iii.) any postal card, postage stamp or other stamp issued or prepared for issue by the authority of the Parliament of Canada, or of the legislature of any province of Canada, for the payment to the Crown or any corporate body of any fee, rate or duty, and whether still in the possession of the Crown or of any person or corporation; and such postal card or stamp shall be held to be a chattel, and to be equal in value to the amount of the postage, rate or duty expressed on its face in words or figures or both;

(w.) The expression "public officer" includes any inland revenue or customs officer, officer of the army, navy, marine, militia, North-west mounted police, or other officer engaged in enforcing the laws relating to the revenue, customs, trade

or navigation of Canada;

(x.) The expression "shipwrecked person" includes any person belonging to, on board of or having quitted any vessel wrecked, stranded, or in distress at any place in Canada; R.S.C., c. 81, s. 2 (h).

(y.) The expression "Superior Court of Criminal Jurisdic-

tion" means and includes the following courts:

(i.) In the province of Ontario, the three divisions of the High Court of Justice;

(ii.) In the province of Quebec, the Court of Queen's

Bench;

- (iii.) In the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia, and in the North-west Territories, the Supreme Court;
- (iv.) In the province of Prince Edward Island, the Supreme Court of Judicature;
- (v.) In the province of Manitoba, the Court of Queen's Bench (Crown side);
- (z.) The expression "territorial division" includes any county, union of counties, township, city, town, parish or other judicial division or place to which the context applies; R.S.C., c. 174, s. 2 (g).
- (aa.) The expression "testamentary instrument" includes any will, codicil, or other testamentary writing or appointment, as well during the life of the testator whose testamentary disposition it purports to be as after his death, whether the same relates to real or personal property, or both; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2 (i).
- (bb.) The expression "trustee" means a trustee on some express trust created by some deed, will or instrument in writing, or by parol, or otherwise, and includes the heir or personal representative of any such trustee, and every other person upon or to whom the duty of such trust has devolved or come, whether by appointment of a court or otherwise, and also an executor and administrator, and an official manager, assignee, liquidator or other like officer acting under any Act relating to joint stock companies, bankruptcy or insolvency, and any person who is, by the law of the province of Quebec, an "administrateur" or "fidéicommissaire"; and the expres-

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sion "trust" includes whatever is by that law an "administration" or "fidéicommission"; R.S.C., c. 164, s. 2 (c).

- (cc.) The expression "valuable security" includes any order, exchequer acquittance or other security entitling or evidencing the title of any person to any share or interest in any public stock or fund, whether of Canada or of any province thereof, or of the United Kingdom, or of Great Britain or Ireland, or any British colony or possession, or of any foreign state, or in any fund of any body corporate, company or society, whether within Canada or the United Kingdom, or any British colony or possession, or in any foreign state or country, or to any deposit in any savings bank or other bank, and also includes any debenture, deed bond, bill, note, warrant, order or other security for money or for payment of money, whether of Canada or of any province thereof, or of the United Kingdom or of any British colony or possession, or of any foreign state, and any document of title to lands or goods as hereinbefore defined wheresoever such lands or goods are situate, and any stamp or writing which secures or evidences title to or interest in any chattel personal, or any release, receipt, discharge or other instrument, evidencing payment of money, or the delivery of any chattel personal; and every such valuable security shall, where value is material, be deemed to be of value equal to that of such unsatisfied money, chattel personal, share, interest or deposit, for the securing or payment of which, or delivery or transfer or sale of which, or for the entitling or evidencing title to which, such valuable security is applicable, or to that of such money or chattel personal, the payment or delivery of which is evidenced by such valuable security; 53 V., c. 37, s. 20.
- (dd.) The expression "wreck" includes the cargo, stores and tackle of any vessel and all parts of a vessel separated therefrom, and also the property of shipwrecked persons;
- (ee.) The expression "writing" includes any mode in which, and any material on which, words or figures whether at length or abridged are written, printed or otherwise expressed, or any map or plan is inscribed.

Meaning of expressions in other Acts retained.

4. The expressions "mail," "mailable matter," "post letter," "post letter bag," and "post office" when used in this Act have the meanings assigned to them in The Post Office Act, and in every case in which the offence dealt with in this Act relates to the subject treated of in any other Act the words and expressions used herein in respect to such offence shall have the meaning assigned to them in such other Act.

Offences against statutes of England, 5. No person shall be proceeded against for any offence against any Act of the Parliament of England, of Great Britain, or of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,

Ireland, unless such Act is, by the express terms thereof, or Great Britain, of some other Act of such Parliament, made applicable to Great Britain, of some other Act of such Parliament, made applicable to Kingdom. Canada or some portion thereof as part of Her Majesty's dominions or possessions.

6. Every one who commits an offence against this Act is Consequences liable as herein provided to one or more of the following offence. punishments:—

(a.) Death;

(b.) Imprisonment;

(c.) Whipping;

(d.) Fine;

(e.) Finding sureties for future good behaviour;

- (f.) If holding office under the Crown, to be removed therefrom:
- (g.) To forfeit any pension or superannuation allowance;
 (h.) To be disqualified from holding office, from sitting in Parliament and from exercising any franchise;

(i.) To pay costs;

(j.) To indemnify any person suffering loss of property by commission of his offence.

PART II.

MATTERS OF JUSTIFICATION OR EXCUSE.

- 7. All rules and principles of the common law which General rule render any circumstances a justification or excuse for any under comact, or a defence to any charge, shall remain in force and be applicable to any defence to a charge under this Act except in so far as they are hereby altered or are inconsistent herewith.
- 8. The matters provided for in this part are hereby declared General rule and enacted to be justifications or excuses in the case of all under this charges to which they apply.
- 9. No person shall be convicted of an offence by reason Children of any act or omission of such person when under the age under seven. of seven years.
- 10. No person shall be convicted of an offence by reason Children of an act or omission of such person when of the age of between seven seven, but under the age of fourteen years, u less he was competent to know the nature and consequences of his conduct, and to appreciate that it was wrong.
- 11. No person shall be convicted of an offence by reason Insanity. of an act done or omitted by him when labouring under 312 natural

natural imbecility, or disease of the mind, to such an extent as to render him incapable of appreciating the nature and quality of the act or omission, and of knowing that such act or omission was wrong.

- 2. A person labouring under specific delusions, but in other respects sane, shall not be acquitted on the ground of insanity, under the provisions hereinafter contained, unless the delusions caused him to believe in the existence of some state of things which, if it existed, would justify or excuse his act or omission.
- 3. Every one shall be presumed to be sane at the time of doing or omitting to do any act until the contrary is proved.

Compulsion by threats.

12. Except as hereinafter provided, compulsion by threats of immediate death or grievous bodily harm from a person actually present at the commission of the offence shall be an excuse for the commission, by a person subject to such threats, and who believes such threats will be executed, and who is not a party to any association or conspiracy the being a party to which rendered him subject to compulsion, of any offence other than treason as defined in paragraphs a, b, c, d and e of subsection one of section sixty-five, murder, piracy, offences deemed to be piracy, attempting to murder, assisting in rape, forcible abduction, robbery, causing grievous bodily harm, and arson.

Compulsion of wife.

13. No presumption shall be made that a married woman committing an offence does so under compulsion because she commits it in the presence of her husband.

Ignorance of the law. 14. The fact that an offender is ignorant of the law is not an excuse for any offence committed by him.

Execution of sentence.

15. Every ministerial officer of any court authorized to execute a lawful sentence, and every gaoler, and every person lawfully assisting such ministerial officer or gaoler, is justified in executing such sentence.

Execution of process.

16. Every ministerial officer of any court duly authorized to execute any lawful process of such court, whether of a civil or criminal nature, and every person lawfully assisting him, is justified in executing the same; and every gaoler who is required under such process to receive and detain any person is justified in receiving and detaining him.

Execution of warrants.

17. Every one duly authorized to execute a lawful warrant issued by any court or justice of the peace or other person having jurisdiction to issue such warrant, and every person lawfully assisting him, is justified in executing such warrant; and every gaoler who is required under such warrant to receive and detain any person is justified in receiving and retaining him.

18. If a sentence is passed or process issued by a court Execution of having jurisdiction under any circumstances to pass such a erroneous sentence or sentence or issue such process, or if a warrant is issued by a process. court or person having jurisdiction under any circumstances to issue such a warrant, the sentence passed or process or warrant issued shall be sufficient to justify the officer or person authorized to execute the same, and every gaoler and person lawfully assisting in executing or carrying out such sentence, process or warrant, although the court passing the sentence or issuing the process had not in the particular case authority to pass the sentence or to issue the process, or although the court, justice or other person in the particular case had no jurisdiction to issue, or exceeded its or his jurisdiction in issuing, the warrant, or was, at the time when such sentence was passed or process or warrant issued, out of the district in or for which such court, justice or person was entitled to act.

19. Every officer, gaoler or person executing any sentence, Sentence or process or warrant, and every person lawfully assisting such without juris officer, gaoler or person, shall be protected from criminal diction. responsibility if he acts in good faith under the belief that the sentence or process was that of a court having jurisdiction or that the warrant was that of a court, justice of the peace or other person having authority to issue warrants, and if it be proved that the person passing the sentence or issuing the process acted as such a court under colour of having some appointment or commission lawfully authorizing him to act as such a court, or that the person issuing the warrant acted as a justice of the peace or other person having such authority, although in fact such appointment or commission did not exist or had expired, or although in fact the court or the person passing the sentence or issuing the process was not the court or the person authorized by the commission to act, or the person issuing the warrant was not duly authorized so to act.

20. Every one duly authorized to execute a warrant to Arresting the arrest who thereupon arrests a person, believing in good wrong person. faith and on reasonable and probable grounds that he is the person named in the warrant, shall be protected from criminal responsibility to the same extent and subject to the same provision as if the person arrested had been the person named in the warrant.

2 Every one called on to assist the person making such arrest, and believing that the person in whose arrest he is called on to assist is the person for whose arrest the warrant is issued, and every gaoler who is required to receive and detain such person, shall be protected to the same extent and subject to the same provisions as if the arrested person had been the person named in the warrant.

Irregular warrant or process. 21. Every one acting under a warrant or process which is bad in law on account of some defect in substance or in form apparent on the face of it, if he in good faith and without culpable ignorance and negligence believes that the warrant or process is good in law, shall be protected from criminal responsibility to the same extent and subject to the same provisions as if the warrant or process were good in law, and ignorance of the law shall in such case be an excuse: Provided, that it shall be a question of law whether the facts of which there is evidence may or may not constitute culpable ignorance or negligence in his so believing the warrant or process to be good in law.

Arrest by peace officer in case of certain offences. 22. Every peace officer who, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes that an offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant has been committed, whether it has been committed or not, and who, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes that any person has committed that offence, is justified in arresting such person without warrant, whether such person is guilty or not.

Persons assisting peace officer. 23. Every one called upon to assist a peace officer in the arrest of a person suspected of having committed such offence as last aforesaid is justified in assisting, if he knows that the person calling on him for assistance is a peace officer, and does not know that there is no reasonable grounds for the suspicion.

Arrest of persons found committing certain offences.

24. Every one is justified in arresting without warrant any person whom he finds committing any offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant, or may be arrested when found committing.

Arrest after commission of certain offences.

25. If any offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant has been committed any one who, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes that any person is guilty of that offence is justified in arresting him without warrant, whether such person is guilty or not.

Arrest of person believed to be committing certain offences by night.

26. Every one is protected from criminal responsibility for arresting without warrant any person whom he, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes he finds committing by night any offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant.

Arrest by peace officer of person found committing offence.
Arrest of person found committing any offence at night

- 27. Every peace officer is justified in arresting without warrant any person whom he finds committing any offence.
- 28. Every one is justified in arresting without warrant any person whom he finds by night committing any offence.
- committing 2. Every peace officer is justified in arresting without any offence at warrant any person whom he finds lying or loitering in night any

any highway, yard or other place by night, and whom he has good cause to suspect of having committed or being about to commit any offence for which an offender may be arrested without warrant.

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- 29. Every one is protected from criminal responsibility Arrest durin for arresting without warrant any person whom he, on flight. reasonable and probable grounds, believes to have committed an offence and to be escaping from and to be freshly pursued by those whom he, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to have lawful authority to arrest that person for such offence.
- 30. Nothing in this Act shall take away or diminish any Statutory authority given by any Act in force for the time being to power of arrest. arrest, detain or put any restraint on any person.
- **31.** Every one justified or protected from criminal respon- Force used in sibility in executing any sentence, warrant or process, or in executing sentence or making any arrest, and every one lawfully assisting him, is process or in justified, or protected from criminal responsibility, as the case arrest. may be, in using such force as may be necessary to overcome any force used in resisting such execution or arrest, unless the sentence, process or warrant can be executed or the arrest effected by reasonable means in a less violent manner.

32. It is the duty of every one executing any process or Duty of perwarrant to have it with him, and to produce it if required. sons arresting

- 2. It is the duty of every one arresting another, whether with or without warrant, to give notice, where practicable, of the process or warrant under which he acts, or of the cause of the arrest.
- 3. A failure to fulfil either of the two duties last mentioned shall not of itself deprive the person executing the process or warrant, or his assistants, or the person arresting, of protection from criminal responsibility, but shall be relevant to the inquiry whether the process or warrant might not have been executed, or the arrest effected, by reasonable means in a less violent manner.
- 33. Every peace officer proceeding lawfully to arrest, Peace officer with or without warrant, any person for any offence for preventing which the offender may be arrested without warrant, and arrest for cerevery one lawfully assisting in such arrest, is justified, if tain offences. the person to be arrested takes to flight to avoid arrest, in using such force as may be necessary to prevent his escape by such flight, unless such escape can be prevented by reasonable means in a less violent manner.

34. Every private person proceeding lawfully to arrest Private person without warrant any person for any offence for which the preventing escape from offender

arrest for certain offences.

offender may be arrested without warrant is justified, if the person to be arrested takes to flight to avoid arrest, in using such force as may be necessary to prevent his escape by flight, unless such escape can be prevented by reasonable means in a less violent manner: Provided, that such force is neither intended nor likely to cause death or grievous bodily harm.

Preventing escape from arrest in other cases.

35. Every one proceeding lawfully to arrest any person for any cause other than such offence as in the last section mentioned is justified, if the person to be arrested takes to flight to avoid arrest, in using such force as may be necessary to prevent his escape by flight, unless such escape can be prevented by reasonable means in a less violent manner: Provided such force is neither intended nor likely to cause death or grievous bodily harm.

Preventing escape or rescue after arrest for certain offences, 36. Every one who has lawfully arrested any person for any offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant is protected from criminal responsibility in using such force in order to prevent the rescue or escape of the person arrested as he believes, on reasonable grounds, to be necessary for that purpose.

Preventing escape or rescue after arrest in other cases.

37. Every one who has lawfully arrested any person for any cause other than an offence for which the offender may be arrested without warrant is protected from criminal responsibility in using such force in order to prevent his escape or rescue as he believes, on reasonable grounds, to be necessary for that purpose: Provided that such force is neither intended nor likely to cause death or grievous bodily harm.

Preventing breach of the peace.

38. Every one who witnesses a breach of the peace is justified in interfering to prevent its continuance or renewal and may detain any person committing or about to join in or renew such breach of the peace, in order to give him into the custody of a peace officer: provided that the person interfering uses no more force than is reasonably necessary for preventing the continuance or renewal of such breach of the peace, or than is reasonably proportioned to the danger to be apprehended from the continuance or renewal of such breach of the peace.

Prevention by peace officers of breach of the peace.

- 39. Every peace officer who witnesses a breach of the peace, and every person lawfully assisting him, is justified in arresting any one whom he finds committing such breach of the peace, or whom he, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to be about to join in or renew such breach of the peace.
- 2. Every peace officer is justified in receiving into custody any person given into his charge as having been a party to

a breach of the peace by one who has, or whom such peace officer, upon reasonable and probable grounds, believes to have, witnessed such breach of the peace.

40. Every sheriff, deputy sheriff, mayor or other head Suppression officer or acting head officer of any county, city, town or of riot by magistrates. district, and every magistrate and justice of the peace, is justified in using, and ordering to be used, and every peace officer is justified in using, such force as he, in good faith, and on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to be necessary to suppress a riot, and as is not disproportioned to the danger which he, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to be apprehended from the continuance of the riot.

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41. Every one, whether subject to military law or not, Suppression acting in good faith in obedience to orders given by any of riot by persons acting sheriff, deputy sheriff, mayor or other head officer or acting under lawful head officer of any county, city, town or district, or by any orders. magistrate or justice of the peace, for the suppression of a riot, is justified in obeying the orders so given unless such orders are manifestly unlawful, and is protected from criminal responsibility in using such force as he, on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to be necessary for carrying into effect such orders.

- 2. It shall be a question of law whether any particular order is manifestly unlawful or not.
- 42. Every one, whether subject to military law or not, Suppression of who in good faith and on reasonable and probable grounds sons without believes that serious mischief will arise from a riot before orders. there is time to procure the intervention of any of the authorities aforesaid, is justified in using such force as he, in good faith and on reasonable and probable grounds, believes to be necessary for the suppression of such riot, and as is not disproportioned to the danger which he, on reasonable grounds, believes to be apprehended from the continuance of the riot.

43. Every one who is bound by military law to obey the Protection lawful command of his superior officer is justified in obeying of persons subject to any command given him by his superior officer for the sup-military law. pression of a riot, unless such order is manifestly unlawful.

- 2. It shall be a question of law whether any particular order is manifestly unlawful or not.
- 44. Every one is justified in using such force as may be Prevention of reasonably necessary in order to prevent the commission of certain offences. any offence for which, if committed, the offender might be arrested without warrant, and the commission of which would be likely to cause immediate and serious injury to the person or property of any one; or in order to prevent

any act being done which he, on reasonable grounds, believes would, if committed, amount to any of such offences.

Self-defence

45. Every one unlawfully assaulted, not having proagainst unprovoked such assault, is justified in repelling force by force, if the force he uses is not meant to cause death or grievous bodily harm, and is no more than is necessary for the purpose of self-defence; and every one so assaulted is justified, though he causes death or grievous bodily harm, if he causes it under reasonable apprehension of death or grievous bodily harm from the violence with which the assault was originally made or with which the assailant pursues his purpose, and if he believes, on reasonable grounds, that he cannot otherwise preserve himself from death or grievous bodily harm.

Self-defence

- 46. Every one who has without justification assaulted against provoked assault another, or has provoked an assault from that other, may nevertheless justify force subsequent to such assault, if he uses such force under reasonable apprehension of death or grievous bodily harm from the violence of the person first assaulted or provoked, and in the belief, on reasonable grounds, that it is necessary for his own preservation from death or grievous bodily harm: Provided, that he did not commence the assault with intent to kill or do grievous bodily harm, and did not endeavour at any time before the necessity for preserving himself arose, to kill or do grievous bodily harm: Provided also, that before such necessity arose he declined further conflict, and quitted or retreated from it as far as was practicable.
 - 2. Provocation, within the meaning of this and the last preceding section, may be given by blows, words or gestures.

Prevention of insult.

47. Every one is justified in using force in defence of his own person, or that of any one under his protection, from an assault accompanied with insult: Provided, that he uses no more force than is necessary to prevent such assault, or the repetition of it: Provided also, that this section shall not justify the wilful infliction of any hurt or mischief disproportionate to the insult which the force used was intended to prevent.

Defence of movable property against trespasser.

48. Every one who is in peaceable possession of any movable property or thing, and every one lawfully assisting him, is justified in resisting the taking of such thing by any trespasser, or in retaking it from such trespasser, if in either case he does not strike or do bodily harm to such trespasser; and if, after any one being in peaceable possession as aforesaid has laid hands upon any such thing, such trespasser persists in attempting to keep it or to take it from the possessor, or from any one lawfully assisting him, the trespasser shall be deemed

deemed to commit an assault without justification or provocation.

49. Every one who is in peaceable possession of any Defence of movable property or thing under a claim of right, and movable property with every one acting under his authority, is protected from claim of right. criminal responsibility for defending such possession, even against a person entitled by law to the possession of such property or thing, if he uses no more force than is necessary.

50. Every one who is in peaceable possession of any Defence of movable property or thing, but neither claims right thereto property nor acts under the authority of a person claiming right without claim thereto, is neither justified nor protected from criminal of right. responsibility for defending his possession against a person entitled by law to the possession of such property or thing.

51. Every one who is in peaceable possession of a dwell-Defence of ing-house, and every one lawfully assisting him or dwellingacting by his authority, is justified in using such force as is necessary to prevent the forcible breaking and entering of such dwelling-house, either by night or day, by any person with the intent to commit any indictable offence therein.

52. Every one who is in peaceable possession of a dwell- Defence of ing-house, and every one lawfully assisting him or acting house atnight. by his authority, is justified in using such force as is necessary to prevent the forcible breaking and entering of such dwelling-house by night by any person, if he believes, on reasonable and probable grounds, that such breaking and entering is attempted with the intent to commit any indictable offence therein.

53. Every one who is in peaceable possession of any Defence of house or land, or other real property, and every one lawfully real property. assisting him or acting by his authority, is justified in using force to prevent any person from trespassing on such property, or to remove him therefrom, if he uses no more force than is necessary; and if such trespasser resists such attempt to prevent his entry or to remove him such trespasser shall be deemed to commit an assault without justification or provocation.

54. Every one is justified in peaceably entering in the Assertion day-time to take possession of any house or land to the of right to house or land. possession of which he, or some person under whose authority he acts, is lawfully entitled.

2. If any person, not having or acting under the authority of one having peaceable possession of any such house or land with a claim of right, assaults any one peaceably entering as aforesaid, for the purpose of making him desist from such

entry,

entry, such assault shall be deemed to be without justification or provocation.

3. If any person having peaceable possession of such house or land with a claim of right, or any person acting by his authority, assaults any one entering as aforesaid, for the purpose of making him desist from such entry, such assault shall be deemed to be provoked by the person entering.

Discipline of minors.

55. It is lawful for every parent, or person in the place of a parent, schoolmaster or master, to use force by way of correction towards any child, pupil or apprentice under his care, provided that such force is reasonable under the circumstances.

Discipline on ships.

56. It is lawful for the master or officer in command of a ship on a voyage to use force for the purpose of maintaining good order and discipline on board of his ship, provided that he believes, on reasonable grounds, that such force is necessary, and provided also that the force used is reasonable in degree.

Surgical operations.

57. Every one is protected from criminal responsibility for performing with reasonable care and skill any surgical operation upon any person for his benefit, provided that performing the operation was reasonable, having regard to the patient's state at the time, and to all the circumstances of the case.

Excess.

58. Every one authorized by law to use force is criminally responsible for any excess, according to the nature and quality of the act which constitutes the excess.

Consent to death.

59. No one has a right to consent to the infliction of death upon himself; and if such consent is given, it shall have no effect upon the criminal responsibility of any person by whom such death may be caused.

Obedience to de facto law.

60. Every one is protected from criminal responsibility for any act done in obedience to the laws for the time being made and enforced by those in possession (de facto) of the sovereign power in and over the place where the act is done.

PART III.

PARTIES TO THE COMMISSION OF OFFENCES.

Parties to offences.

- 61. Every one is a party to and guilty of an offence who-
- (a.) actually commits it; or
- (b.) does or omits an act for the purpose of aiding any person to commit the offence; or

- (c.) abets any person in commission of the offence; or
- (d.) counsels or procures any person to commit the offence.
- 2. If several persons form a common intention to prosecute any unlawful purpose, and to assist each other therein, each of them is a party to every offence committed by any one of them in the prosecution of such common purpose, the commission of which offence was, or ought to have been known to be a probable consequence of the prosecution of such common purpose.
- **62.** Every one who counsels or procures another to be a Offence comparty to an offence of which that other is afterwards guilty is mitted other than the a party to that offence, although it may be committed in a offence inway different from that which was counselled or suggested. tended.

- 2. Every one who counsels or procures another to be a party to an offence is a party to every offence which that other commits in consequence of such counselling or procuring, and which the person counselling or procuring knew, or ought to have known, to be likely to be committed in consequence of such counselling or procuring.
- 63. An accessory after the fact to an offence is one who Accessory receives, comforts or assists any one who has been a party to after the fact. such offence in order to enable him to escape, knowing him o have been a party thereto.
- 2. No married person whose husband or wife has been a party to an offence shall become an accessory after the fact thereto by receiving, comforting or assisting the other of them, and no married woman whose husband has been a party to an offence shall become an accessory after the fact thereto, by receiving, comforting or assisting in his presence and by his authority any other person who has been a party to such offence in order to enable her husband or such other person to escape.
- 64. Every one who, having an intent to commit an offence, Attempts. does or omits an act for the purpose of accomplishing his object is guilty of an attempt to commit the offence intended whether under the circumstances it was possible to commit such offence or not.
- 2. The question whether an act done or omitted with intent to commit an offence is or is not only preparation for the commission of that offence, and too remote to constitute an attempt to commit it, is a question of law.

TITLE II.

OFFENCES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER, INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL.

PART IV.

TREASON AND OTHER OFFENCES AGAINST THE QUEEN'S AUTHORITY AND PERSON.

Treason.

65. Treason is—

(a.) the act of killing Her Majesty, or doing her any bodily harm tending to death or destruction, maim or wounding, and the act of imprisoning or restraining her; or

(b.) the forming and manifesting by an overt act an intention to kill Her Majesty, or to do her any bodily harm tending to death or destruction, maim or wounding, or to imprison or to restrain her; or

(c.) the act of killing the eldest son and heir apparent of Her Majesty, or the Queen consort of any King of the United

Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; or

(d.) the forming and manifesting, by an overt act, an intention to kill the eldest son and heir apparent of Her Majesty, or the Queen consort of any King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; or

(e.) conspiring with any person to kill Her Majesty, or to do her any bodily harm tending to death or destruction, maim or wounding, or conspiring with any person to imprison

or restrain her; or

(f.) levying war against Her Majesty either—

(i.) with intent to depose Her Majesty from the style, honour and royal name of the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland or of any other of Her Majesty's dominions or countries;

(ii.) in order, by force or constraint, to compel Her Majesty to change her measures or counsels, or in order to intimidate or overawe both Houses or either House of Parliament of the United Kingdom or of Canada; or

(g.) conspiring to levy war against Her Majesty with any such intent or for any such purpose as aforesaid; or

- (h) instigating any foreigner with force to invade the said United Kingdom or Canada or any other of the dominions of Her Majesty; or
- (i.) assisting any public enemy at war with Her Majesty in such war by any means whatsoever; or
- (j.) violating, whether with her consent or not, a Queen consort, or the wife of the eldest son and heir apparent, for the time being, of the King or Queen regnant.

2. Every one who commits treason is guilty of an indict-

able offence and liable to suffer death.

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- **66.** In every case in which it is treason to conspire with Conspiracy. any person for any purpose the act of so conspiring, and every overt act of any such conspiracy, is an overt act of treason.
- 67. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Accessories to two years' imprisonment who—

(a.) becomes an accessory after the fact to treason; or

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- (b.) knowing that any person is about to commit treason does not, with all reasonable despatch, give information thereof to a justice of the peace, or use other reasonable endeavours to prevent the commission of the same.
- 68. Every subject or citizen of any foreign state or country Levying war at peace with Her Majesty, who a state at

(a.) is or continues in arms against Her Majesty within peace with Her Majesty Canada; or

(b.) commits any act of hostility therein; or

(c.) enters Canada with intent to levy war against Her Majesty, or to commit any indictable offence therein for which any person would, in Canada, be liable to suffer death; and

Every subject of Her Majesty within Canada who—

Subjects assisting.

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- (d.) levies war against Her Majesty in company with any of the subjects or citizens of any foreign state or country at peace with Her Majesty; or
- (e.) enters Canada in company with any such subjects or citizens with intent to levy war against Her Majesty, or to commit any such offence therein; or
- (f.) with intent to aid and assist, joins himself to any person who has entered Canada with intent to levy war against Her Majesty, or to commit any such offence therein is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to suffer death. R.S.C., c. 146, ss. 6 and 7.

69. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Treasonable to imprisonment for life who forms any of the intentions hereinafter mentioned, and manifests any such intention by conspiring with any person to carry it into effect, or by any other overt act, or by publishing any printing or writing; that is to say—

(a.) an intention to depose Her Majesty from the style, honour and royal name of the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of any other of Her Majesty's dominions or countries;

(b.) an intention to levy war against Her Majesty within any part of the said United Kingdom, or of Canada, in order by force or constraint to compel her to change her measures or counsels, or in order to put any force or constraint upon or in order to intimidate or overawe both Houses or either House of Parliament of the United Kingdom or of Canada;

(c.) an intention to move or stir any foreigner or stranger with force to invade the said United Kingdom, or Canada, or any other of Her Majesty's dominions or countries under the authority of Her Majesty. R.S.C., c. 146, s. 3.

Conspiracy to intimidate a legislature.

70. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to fourteen years' imprisonment who confederates, combines or conspires with any person to do any act of violence in order to intimidate, or to put any force or constraint upon, any Legislative Council, Legislative Assembly or House of Assembly. R.S.C., c. 146, s. 4.

Assaults on the Queen.

- 71. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to seven years' imprisonment, and to be whipped once, twice or thrice as the court directs, who—
- (a.) wilfully produces, or has near Her Majesty, any arm or destructive or dangerous thing with intent to use the same to injure the person of, or to alarm, Her Majesty; or

(b.) wilfully and with intent to alarm or to injure Her

Majesty, or to break the public peace:

(i.) points, aims or presents at or near Her Majesty any firearm, loaded or not, or any other kind of arm;

- (ii.) discharges at or near Her Majesty any loaded arm;
- (iii.) dischargesanyexplosive material near Her Majesty; (iv.) strikes, or strikes at, Her Majesty in any manner whatever;
 - (v.) throws anything at or upon Her Majesty; or
- (c.) attempts to do any of the things specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

Inciting to mutiny.

72- Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for life who, for any traitorous or mutinous purpose, endeavours to seduce any person serving in Her Majesty's forces by sea or land from his duty and allegiance to Her Majesty, or to incite or stir up any such person to commit any traitorous or mutinous practice.

Enticing soldiers or sailors to desert.

- 73. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence who, not being an enlisted soldier in Her Majesty's service, or a seaman in Her Majesty's naval service—
- (a.) by words or with money, or by any other means whatsoever, directly or indirectly persuades or procures, or goes about or endeavours to persuade, prevail on or procure, any such seaman or soldier to desert from or leave Her Majesty's military or naval service; or
- (b.) conceals, receives or assists any deserter from Her Majesty's military or naval service, knowing him to be such deserter.
- 2. The offender may be prosecuted by indictment, or summarily before two justices of the peace. In the former case he is liable to fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court, and in the latter to a penalty not exceeding two hun-

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dred dollars, and not less than eighty dollars and costs, and in default of payment to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months. R.S.C., c. 169, ss. 1 and 4.

74. Every one who resists the execution of any warrant Resisting authorizing the breaking open of any building to search for execution of warrant for any deserter from Her Majesty's military or naval service is arrest of deguilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction serters. before two justices of the peace, to a penalty of eighty dollars. R.S.C., c. 169, s. 7.

75. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on sum-Enticing milimary conviction, to six months' imprisonment with or with- tiamen or members of out hard labour, who—

- (a.) persuades any man who has been enlisted to serve in west mounted police force to any corps of militia, or who is a member of or has engaged desert. to serve in the North-west mounted police force, to desert, or attempts to procure or persuade any such man to desert;
- (b.) knowing that any such man is about to desert, aids or assists him in deserting; or
- (c.) knowing any such man is a deserter, conceals such man or aids or assists in his rescue. R.S.C., c. 41, s. 109; 52 V., c. 25, s. 4.

76. In the two following sections, unless the context Interpretaotherwise requires—

(a.) Any reference to a place belonging to Her Majesty includes a place belonging to any department of the Government of the United Kingdom, or of the Government of Canada, or of any province, whether the place is or is not actually vested in Her Majesty;

(b.) Expressions referring to communications include any communication, whether in whole or in part, and whether the document, sketch, plan, model or information itself or the substance or effect thereof only be communicated;

(c.) The expression "document" includes part of a document;

(d.) The expression "model" includes design, pattern and specimen;

(e.) The expression "sketch" includes any photograph or

other mode of expression of any place or thing;

(f.) The expression "office under Her Majesty," includes any office or employment in or under any department of the Government of the United Kingdom, or of the Government of Canada or of any province. 53 V., c. 10, s. 5.

77. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Unlawfully to imprisonment for one year, or to a fine not exceeding one communicahundred dollars, or to both imprisonment and fine, who—ting official in-

(a.) for the purpose of wrongfully obtaining information—formation.

- (i.) enters or is in any part of a place in Canada belonging to Her Majesty, being a fortress, arsenal, factory, dock-yard, camp, ship, office or other like place, in which part he is not entitled to be; or
- (ii.) when lawfully or unlawfully in any such place as aforesaid either obtains any document, sketch, plan, model or knowledge of anything which he is not entitled to obtain, or takes without lawful authority any sketch or plan; or

(iii.) when outside any fortress, arsenal, factory, dockyard or camp in Canada, belonging to Her Majesty, takes, or attempts to take, without authority given by or on behalf of Her Majesty, any sketch or plan of that fortress,

arsenal, factory, dockyard or camp; or

- (b.) knowingly having possession of or control over any such document, sketch, plan, model, or knowledge as has been obtained or taken by means of any act which constitutes an offence against this and the following section, at any time wilfully and without lawful authority communicates or attempts to communicate the same to any person to whom the same ought not, in the interests of the state, to be communicated at that time; or
- (c.) after having been intrusted in confidence by some officer under Her Majesty with any document, sketch, plan, model or information relating to any such place as aforesaid, or to the naval or military affairs of Her Majesty, wilfully, and in breach of such confidence, communicates the same when, in the interests of the state, it ought not to be communicated; or
- (d) having possession of any document relating to any fortress, arsenal, factory, dockyard, camp, ship, office or other like place belonging to Her Majesty, or to the naval or military affairs of Her Majesty, in whatever manner the same has been obtained or taken, at any time wilfully communicates the same to any person to whom he knows the same ought not, in the interests of the state, to be communicated at the time:
- 2. Every one who commits any such offence intending to communicate to a foreign state any information, document, sketch, plan, model or knowledge obtained or taken by him, or intrusted to him as aforesaid, or communicates the same to any agent of a foreign state, is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for life. 53 V., c. 10, s. 1.

Communicating information acquired by holding office.

78. Every one who, by means of his holding or having held an office under Her Majesty, has lawfully or unlawfully, either obtained possession of or control over any document, sketch, plan or model, or acquired any information, and at any time corruptly, or contrary to his official duty, communicates or attempts to communicate such document, sketch, plan, model or information to any person to whom

the same ought not, in the interests of the state, or otherwise in the public interest, to be communicated at that time, is guilty of an indictable offence and liable—

(a.) if the communication was made, or attempted to be made, to a foreign state, to imprisonment for life; and

- (b.) in any other case to imprisonment for one year, or to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or to both imprisonment and fine.
- 2. This section shall apply to a person holding a contract with Her Majesty, or with any department of the Government of the United Kingdom, or of the Government of Canada, or of any province, or with the holder of any office under Her Majesty as such holder, where such contract involves an obligation of secrecy, and to any person employed by any person or body of persons holding such a contract who is under a like obligation of secrecy, as if the person holding the contract, and the person so employed, were respectively holders of an office under Her Majesty. 53 V., c. 10, s. 2.

PART V.

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES, RIOTS, BREACHES OF THE PEACE.

79. An unlawful assembly is an assembly of three or more Definition of persons who, with intent to carry out any common purpose, unlawful assemble in such a manner or so conduct themselves when assembled as to cause persons in the neighbourhood of such assembly to fear, on reasonable grounds, that the persons so assembled will disturb the peace tumultuously, or will by such assembly needlessly and without any reasonable occasion provoke other persons to disturb the peace tumultuously.

2. Persons lawfully assembled may become an unlawful assembly if they conduct themselves with a common purpose in such a manner as would have made their assembling unlawful if they had assembled in that manner for that purpose

pose.

- 3. An assembly of three or more persons for the purpose of protecting the house of any one in their number against persons threatening to break and enter such house in order to commit any indictable offence therein is not unlawful.
- **80.** A riot is an unlawful assembly which has begun to Definition of disturb the peace tumultuously.
- 81. Every member of an unlawful assembly is guilty Punishment of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprison- of unlawful assembly. ment. R.S.C., c. 147, s. 11.

Punishment of riot.

82. Every rioter is guilty of an indictable offence and ciable to two years' imprisonment with hard labour. R.S.C., l. 148, s. 13.

Reading the Riot Act.

- 83. It is the duty of every sheriff, deputy sheriff, mayor or other head officer, and justice of the peace, of any county, city or town, who has notice that there are within his jurisdiction persons to the number of twelve or more unlawfully, riotously and tumultuously assembled together to the disturbance of the public peace, to resort to the place where such unlawful, riotous and tumultuous assembly is, and among the rioters, or as near to them as he can safely come, with a loud voice to command or cause to be commanded silence, and after that openly and with loud voice to make or cause to be made a proclamation in these words or to the like effect:—
- "Our Sovereign Lady the Queen charges and commands all persons being assembled immediately to disperse and peaceably to depart to their habitations or to their lawful business, upon the pain of being guilty of an offence on conviction of which they may be sentenced to imprisonment for life.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

- 2. All persons are guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for life who—
- (a.) with force and arms wilfully oppose, hinder or hurt any person who begins or is about to make the said proclamation, whereby such proclamation is not made; or
- (b.) continue together to the number of twelve for thirty minutes after such proclamation has been made, or if they know that its making was hindered as aforesaid, within thirty minutes after such hindrance. R S.C., c. 147, ss. 1 and 2.

Duty of justice if rioters do not disperse.

84. If the persons so unlawfully, riotously and tumultuously assembled together as mentioned in the next preceding section, or twelve or more of them, continue together, and do not disperse themselves, for the space of thirty minutes after the proclamation is made or after such hindrance as aforesaid, it is the duty of every such sheriff, justice and other officer, and of all persons required by them to assist, to cause such persons to be apprehended and carried before a justice of the peace; and if any of the persons so assembled is killed or hurt in the apprehension of such persons or in the endeavour to apprehend or disperse them, by reason of their resistance, every person ordering them to be apprehended or dispersed, and every person executing such orders, shall be indemnified against all proceedings of every kind in respect thereof: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall, in any way, limit or affect any duties or powers imposed or given by this Act as to the suppression of riots before or after the making of the said proclamation. R.S.C., c. 147, s. 3.

85. All persons are guilty of an indictable offence and Riotous deliable to imprisonment for life who, being riotously and struction of buildings. tumultuously assembled together to the disturbance of the public peace, unlawfully and with force demolish or pull down, or begin to demolish or pull down, any building, or any machinery, whether fixed or movable, or any erection used in farming land, or in carrying on any trade or manufacture, or any erection or structure used in conducting the business of any mine, or any bridge, waggen-way or track for conveying minerals from any mine. R.S.C., c. 147, s. 9.

86. All persons are guilty of an indictable offence and Riotous liable to seven years' imprisonment who, being riotously and buildings. tumultuously assembled together to the disturbance of the public peace, unlawfully and with force injure or damage any of the things mentioned in the last preceding section.

- 2. It shall not be a defence to a charge of an offence against this or the last preceding section that the offender believed he had a right to act as he did, unless he actually had such a right. R.S.C., c. 147, s. 10.
- 87. The Governor in Council is authorized from time to Unlawful time to prohibit assemblies without lawful authority of persons for the purpose of training or drilling themselves, or of being trained or drilled to the use of arms, or for the purpose of practising military exercises, movements or evolutions, and to prohibit persons when assembled for any other purpose so training or drilling themselves or being trained or drilled. Any such prohibition may be general or may apply only to a particular place or district and to assemblies of a particular character, and shall come into operation from the publication in the Canada Gazette of a proclamation embodying the terms of such prohibition, and shall continue in force until the like publication of a proclamation issued by the authority of the Governor in Council revoking such prohibition.

- 2. Every person is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who, without lawful authority and in contravention of such prohibition or proclamation—
- (a.) is present at or attends any such assembly for the purpose of training or drilling any other person to the use of arms or the practice of military exercises or evolutions; or
- (b.) at any assembly trains or drills any other person to the use of arms or the practice of military exercises or evolutions. R.S.C., c. 147, ss. 4 and 5.
- 88. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Being unlawto two years' imprisonment who, without lawful authority, fully drilled. attends, or is present at, any such assembly as in the last preceding section mentioned, for the purpose of being, or who at any such assembly is, without lawful authority and in contravention of such prohibition or proclamation trained

trained or drilled to the use of arms or the practice of military exercises or evolutions. R.S.C., c. 147, s. 6.

Forcible entry and detainer.

- **89.** Forcible entry is where a person, whether entitled or not, enters in a manner likely to cause a breach of the peace, or reasonable apprehension thereof, on land then in actual and peaceable possession of another.
- 2. Forcible detainer is where a person in actual possession of land, without colour of right, detains it in a manner likely to cause a breach of the peace, or reasonable apprehension thereof, against a person entitled by law to the possession thereof.
- 3. What amounts to actual possession or colour of right is a question of law.
- 4. Every one who forcibly enters or forcibly detains land is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment.

Affray.

- 90. An affray is the act of fighting in any public street or highway, or fighting to the alarm of the public in any other place to which the public have access.
- 2. Every one who takes part in an affray is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment with hard labour R.S.C., c. 147, s. 14.

Challenge to fight a duel.

91. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to three years' imprisonment who challenges or endeavours by any means to provoke any person to fight a duel, or endeavours to provoke any person to challenge any other person so to do.

Prize-fighting defined.

92. In sections ninety-three to ninety-seven inclusive the expression "prize-fight" means an encounter or fight with fists or hands, between two persons who have met for such purpose by previous arrangement made by or for them. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 1.

Challenging to fight a prize-fight, &c. 93. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars and not less than one hundred dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour or to both, who sends or publishes, or causes to be sent or published or otherwise made known, any challenge to fight a prize-fight, or accepts any such challenge, or causes the same to be accepted, or goes into training preparatory to such fight, or acts as trainer or second to any person who intends to engage in a prize-fight. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 2.

Engaging as principal in a prize-fight.

94. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months and not less than three months, with or without

without hard labour who engages as a principal in a prizefight. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 3.

95. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on sum- Attending or mary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding five hundred promoting a dollars and not loss that fifty dollars on to imprize fight. dollars and not less that fifty dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour or to both, who is present at a prize-fight as an aid, second, surgeon, umpire, backer, assistant or reporter, or who advises, encourages or promotes such fight. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 5.

96. Every inhabitant or resident of Canada is guilty of Leaving an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty canada to engage in a not exceeding four hundred dollars and not less than fifty prize-fight. dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour or to both, who leaves Canada with intent to engage in a prize-fight without the limits thereof. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 5.

97. If, after hearing evidence of the circumstances con-Where the nected with the origin of the fight or intended fight, the fight is not person before whom the complaint is made is satisfied that discharge or such fight or intended fight was bond fide the consequence or fine. result of a quarrel or dispute between the principals engaged or intended to engage therein, and that the same was not an encounter or fight for a prize, or on the result of which the handing over or transfer of money or property depended, such person may, in his discretion, discharge the accused or impose upon him a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars. R.S.C., c. 153, s. 9.

98. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Inciting to two years' imprisonment who induces, incites or stirs up Indians to riotous acts. any three or more Indians, non-treaty Indians, or half-breeds, apparently acting in concert—

(a.) to make any request or demand of any agent or servant of the Government in a riotous, routous, disorderly or threatening manner, or in a manner calculated to cause a breach of the peace; or

(b.) to do any act calculated to cause a breach of the peace.

R.S.C., c. 43, s. 111.

PART VI.

UNLAWFUL USE AND POSSESSION OF EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES AND OFFENSIVE WEAPONS —SALE OF LIQUORS.

99. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Causing dans liable to imprisonment for life who wilfully causes, by any sions. explosive

explosive substance, an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property, whether any injury to person or property is actually caused or not R.S.C., c. 150, s. 3.

Doing any thing, or possessing explosive substances, with plosions.

100. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to fourteen years' imprisonment who wilfully-

- (a.) does any act with intent to cause by an explosive intent to cause substance, or conspires to cause by an explosive substance, dangerous ex- an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life, or to cause serious injury to property;
 - (b.) makes or has in his possession or under his control any explosive substance with intent by means thereof to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property, or to enable any other person by means thereof to endanger life or to cause serious injury to property-

whether any explosion takes place or not and whether any injury to person or property is actually caused or not. R.S.C., c. 150, s. 3.

Unlawfully making or possessing explosive substances.

101. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to seven years' imprisonment who makes, or knowingly has in his possession or under his control, any explosive substance under such circumstances as to give rise to a reasonable suspicion that he is not making it, or has it not in his possession or under his control, for a lawful object, unless he can show that he made it or had it in his possession or under his control for a lawful object. R.S.C., c. 150, s. 5.

Having posdangerous to the public peace.

102. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable session of arms to five years' imprisonment who has in his custody or possession, or carries, any offensive weapons for any purpose dangerous to the public peace. R.S.C., c. 149, s. 4.

Two or more gerous weapons so as to cause alarm.

103. If two or more persons openly carry offensive weapons persons openly in a public place in such a manner and under such circumstances as are calculated to create terror and alarm, each of such persons is liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding forty dollars and not less than ten dollars, and in default of payment to imprisonment for any term not exceeding thirty days. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 8.

Smugglers carrying offensive weapons.

104. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for ten years who is found with any goods liable to seizure or forfeiture under any law relating to inland revenue, the customs, trade or navigation, and knowing them to be so liable, and carrying offensive weapons. R.S.C., c. 32, s. 213.

Carrying a pistol or airgun without justification

105. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars

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dollars and not less than five dollars, or to imprisonment for one month, who, not being a justice or a public officer, or a soldier, sailor or volunteer in Her Majesty's service, on duty, or a constable or other peace officer, and not having a certificate of exemption from the operation of this section as hereinafter provided for, and not having at the time reasonable cause to fear an assault or other injury to his person, family or property, has upon his person a pistol or air-gun elsewhere than in his own dwelling-house, shop, warehouse, or counting-house.

2. If sufficient cause be shown upon oath to the satisfac- Certificate of tion of any justice, he may grant to any applicant therefor exemption. not under the age of sixteen years and as to whose discretion and good character he is satisfied by evidence upon oath, a certificate of exemption from the operation of this section, for such period, not exceeding twelve months, as he deems fit.

3. Such certificate, upon the trial of any offence, shall be prima facie evidence of its contents and of the signature and official character of the person by whom it purports to be

granted.

- 4. When any such certificate is granted under the preceding provisions of this section, the justice granting it shall forthwith make a return thereof to the proper officer in the county, district or place in which such certificate has been granted for receiving returns under section nine hundred and two; and in default of making such return within ninety days after a certificate is granted, the justice shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty of not more than ten dollars.
- 5. Whenever the Governor in Council deems it expedient Governor in in the public interest, he may by proclamation suspend the Suspend operoperation of the provisions of the first and second sub-ation. sections of this section respecting certificates of exemption, or exempt from such operation any particular part of Canada, and in either case for such period, and with such exceptions as to the persons hereby affected, as he deems fit.

106. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable on sum-Selling pistol mary conviction to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, who or air-gun to sells or gives any pistol or air-gun, or any ammunition therefor, to a minor under the age of sixteen years, unless he establishes to the satisfaction of the justice before whom he is charged that he used reasonable diligence in endeavouring to ascertain the age of the minor before making such sale or gift, and that he had good reason to believe that such minor was not under the age of sixteen.

2. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars who sells any pistol or air-gun without keeping a record or such sale, the date thereof, and the name of the purchaser and of the maker's name, or other mark by which such arm

may be identified.

Having weaarrested.

107. Every one who when arrested, either on a warrant pons on person issued against him for an offence or while committing an offence, has upon his person a pistol or air-gun is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars and not less than twenty dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding three months, with or without hard labour. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 2.

Having weapons on the person with intent to injure any person.

108. Every one who has upon his person a pistol or airgun, with intent therewith unlawfully to do injury to any other person, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars and not less than fifty dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 3.

Pointing any firearm at any person.

109. Every one who, without lawful excuse, points at another person any firearm or air-gun, whether loaded or unloaded, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than ten dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding thirty days, with or without hard labour. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 4.

Carrying offensive weapons about the person.

110. Every one who carries about his person any bowieknife, dagger, dirk, metal knuckles, skull cracker, slung shot, or other offensive weapon of a like character, or secretly carries about his person any instrument loaded at the end, or sells or exposes for sale, publicly or privately, any such weapon, or being masked or disguised carries or has in his possession any firearm or air-gun, is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars and not less than ten dollars, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for any term not exceeding thirty days, with or without hard labour. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 5.

Carrying sheath-knives in seaports.

111. Every one, not being thereto required by his lawful trade or calling, who is found in any town or city carrying about his person any sheath-knife is liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding forty dollars and not less than ten dollars, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for any term not exceeding thirty days, with or without hard labour. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 6.

Exception as to soldiers. &c.

112. It is not an offence for any soldier, public officer, peace officer, sailor or volunteer in Her Majesty's service, constable or other policeman, to carry loaded pistols or other usual arms or offensive weapons in the discharge of his duty. R.S.C., c. 148, s. 10.

- 113. Every one attending any public meeting or being on Refusing to his way to attend the same who, upon demand made by deliver offenany justice of the peace within whose jurisdiction such to a justice. public meeting is appointed to be held, declines or refuses to deliver up, peaceably and quietly, to such justice of the peace, any offensive weapon with which he is armed or which he has in his possession, is guilty of an indictable offence.
- 2. The justice of the peace may record the refusal and adjudge the offender to pay a penalty not exceeding eight dollars, or the offender may be proceeded against by indictment as in other cases of indictable offences. R.S.C., c. 152, s. 1.
- 114. Every one, except the sheriff, deputy sheriff and jus-Coming armed tices of the peace for the district or county, or the mayor, within two justices of the peace or other peace officer for the city or town meeting. "" respectively, in which any public meeting is held, and the constables and special constables employed by them, or any of them, for the preservation of the public peace at such meeting, is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both, who, during any part of the day upon which such meeting is appointed to be held, comes within one mile of the place appointed for such meeting armed with any offensive weapon. R.S.C., c. 152, s. 5.

115. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Lying in wait to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars, or to im-for persons returning prisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or to both, from public who lies in wait for any person returning, or expected meeting. to return, from any such public meeting, with intent to commit an assault upon such person, or with intent, by abusive language, opprobrious epithets or other offensive demeanour, directed to, at or against such person, to provoke such person, or those who accompany him, to a breach of the peace. R.S.C., c. 152, s. 6.

116. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on sum-Sale of arms mary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a in the Northpenalty of two hundred dollars or to six months' imprison-tories. ment, or to both, who, during any time when and within any place in the North-west Territories where section one hundred and one of The North-west Territories Act is in force-

(a.) without the permission in writing (the proof of which shall be on him) of the Lieutenant Governor, or of a commissioner appointed by him to give such permission, has in his possession or sells, exchanges, trades, barters or gives to or with any person, any improved arm or ammunition; or

- (b.) having such permission sells, exchanges, trades, barters or gives any such arm or ammunition to any person not lawfully authorized to possess the same.
- 2. The expression "improved arm" in this section means and includes all arms except smooth-bore shot-guns; and the expression "ammunition" means fixed ammunition or ball cartridge. R.S.C., c. 50, s. 101.

Possessing weapons near public works.

- within any place in which the Act respecting the Preservation of Peace in the vicinity of Public Works is then in force, is liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding four dollars and not less than two dollars for every such weapon found in his possession who, upon or after the day named in the proclamation by which such Act is brought into force, keeps or has in his possession, or under his care or control, within any such place, any weapon.
- 2. Every one is liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than forty dollars who, for the purpose of defeating the said Act, receives or conceals, or aids in receiving or concealing, or procures to be received or concealed within any place in which the said Act is at the time in force, any weapon belonging to or in custody of any person employed on or about any public work. R.S.C., c. 151, ss. 1, 5 and 6.

Sale, &c., of liquors near public works.

- putting in force in any place An Act respecting the Preservation of Peace in the vicinity of Public Works, and during such period as such proclamation remains in force, no person shall, at any place within the limits specified in such proclamation, sell, barter, or directly or indirectly, for any matter, thing, profit or reward, exchange, supply or dispose of any intoxicating liquor, nor expose, keep or have in possession any intoxicating liquor intended to be dealt with in any such way.
- 2. The provisions of this section do not extend to any person selling intoxicating liquor by wholesale and not retailing the same, if such person is a licensed distiller or brewer.
- 3. Every one is liable, on summary conviction, for a first offence to a penalty of forty dollars and costs, and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, with or without hard labour,—and on every subsequent conviction to the said penalty and the said imprisonment in default of payment, and also to further imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour, who, by himself, his clerk, servant, agent or other person, violates any of the provisions of this or of the preceding section.
- 4. Every clerk, servant, agent or other person who, being in the employment of, or on the premises of, another person, violates

violates or assists in violating any of the provisions of this or of the preceding section for the person in whose employment or on whose premises he is, is equally guilty with the principal offender and liable to the same punishment. R.S.C., c. 151, ss. 1, 13, 14 and 15.

119. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on Intoxicating summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to board Her a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence, and in Majesty's default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ships. one month, with or without hard labour, who, without the previous consent of the officer commanding the ship or vessel-

(a.) conveys any intoxicating liquor on board any of Her

Majesty's ships or vessels; or

- (b.) approaches or hovers about any of Her Majesty's ships or vessels for the purpose of conveying any such liquor on board thereof; or
- (c.) gives or sells to any man in Her Majesty's service, on board any such ship or vessel, any intoxicating liquor. 50-51 V., c. 46, s. 1.

PART VII.

SEDITIOUS OFFENCES.

120. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Oaths to comto fourteen years' imprisonment who-

- (a.) administers, or is present at and consenting to the administration of, any oath or any engagement purporting to bind the person taking the same to commit any crime punishable by death or imprisonment for more than five years; or
- (b.) attempts to induce or compel any person to take any such oath or engagement; or
 - (c.) takes any such oath or engagement.

121. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Other unlawto seven years' imprisonment who—

- (a.) administers or is present at and consenting to the administration of any oath or engagement purporting to bind the person taking the same:
 - (i.) to engage in any mutinous or seditious purpose;
 - (ii.) to disturb the public peace or commit or endeavour to commit any offence;

(iii.) not to inform and give evidence against any asso-

ciate, confederate or other person;

(iv.) not to reveal or discover any unlawful combination or confederacy, or any illegal act done or to be done or any illegal oath or obligation or engagement which may

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have been administered or tendered to or taken by any person, or the import of any such oath or obligation or engagement; or

(b.) attempts to induce or compel any person to take any

such oath or engagement; or

(c.) takes any such oath or engagement. C.S.L.C., c. 10, s. 1.

Compulsion in administeroaths.

122. Any one who, under such compulsion as would otherin administering and taking wise excuse him, offends against either of the last two preceding sections shall not be excused thereby unless, within the period hereinafter mentioned, he declares the same and what he knows touching the same, and the persons by whom and in whose presence, and when and where, such oath or obligation or engagement was administered or taken. by information on oath before one of Her Majesty's justices of the peace for the district or city or county in which such oath or engagement was administered or taken. Such declaration may be made by him within fourteen days after the taking of the eath or, if he is hindered from making it by actual force or sickness, then within eight days of the cessation of such hindrance, or on his trial if it happens before the expiration of either of those periods. C.S.L.C., c. 10, s. 2.

Seditions offences defined.

- 123. No one shall be deemed to have a seditious intention only because he intends in good faith—
- (a.) to show that Her Majesty has been misled or mistaken in her measures; or
- (b.) to point out errors or defects in the government or constitution of the United Kingdom, or of any part of it, or of Canada or any province thereof, or in either House of Parliament of the United Kingdom or of Canada, or in any legislature, or in the administration of justice; or to excite Her Majesty's subjects to attempt to procure, by lawful means, the alteration of any matter in the state; or
- (c.) to point out, in order to their removal, matters which are producing or have a tendency to produce feelings of hatred and ill-will between different classes of Her Majesty's subjects.
- 2. Seditious words are words expressive of a seditious intention.
- 3. A seditious libel is a libel expressive of a seditious intention.
- 4. A seditious conspiracy is an agreement between two or more persons to carry into execution a seditious intention.

Punishment of seditious offences.

124. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who speaks any seditious words or publishes any seditious libel or is a party to any seditious conspiracy.

Libels on foreign sovereigns.

125. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who, without lawful justification, fication, publishes any libel tending to degrade, revile or expose to hatred and contempt in the estimation of the people of any foreign state, any prince or person exercising sovereign authority over any such state.

126. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Spreading to one year's imprisonment who wilfully and knowingly false news. publishes any false news or tale whereby injury or mischief is or is likely to be occasioned to any public interest.

PART VIII.

PIRACY.

- 127. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence who does Piracy by the any act which amounts to piracy by the law of nations, and law of nations is liable to the following punishment:—
- (a) To death, if in committing or attempting to commit such crime the offender murders, attempts to murder or wounds any person, or does any act by which the life of any person is likely to be endangered;
 - (b.) To imprisonment for life in all other cases.
- 128. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Piratical acts. to imprisonment for life who, within Canada, does any of the following piratical acts, or who, having done any of the following piratical acts, comes or is brought within Canada without having been tried therefor:—
- (a.) Being a British subject, on the sea, or in any place within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, under colour of any commission from any foreign prince or state, whether such prince or state is at war with Her Majesty or not, or under pretense of authority from any person whomsoever commits any act of hostility or robbery against other British subjects, or during any war is in any way adherent to or gives aid to Her Majesty's enemies;
- (b.) Whether a British subject or not, on the sea or in any place within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, enters into any British ship, and throws overboard, or destroys, any part of the goods belonging to such ship, or laden on board the same;
- (c.) Being on board any British ship on the sea or in any place within the jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England—
 - (i.) turns enemy or rebel, and piratically runs away with the ship, or any boat, ordnance, ammunition or goods;

(ii.) yields them up voluntarily to any pirate;

- (iii.) brings any seducing message from any pirate, enemy or rebel;
- (iv.) counsels or procures any persons to yield up or run away with any ship, goods or merchandise, or to turn pirate or to go over to pirates;

- (v.) lays violent hands on the commander of any such ship in order to prevent him from fighting in defence of his ship and goods:
- (vi.) confines the master or commander of any such ship:
- (vii.) makes or endeavours to make a revolt in the ship;
- (d.) Being a British subject in any part of the world, or whether a British subject or not) being in any part of Her Majesty's dominions or on board a British ship, knowingly—

(i.) furnishes any pirate with any ammunition or stores

of any kind;

- (ii.) fits out any ship or vessel with a design to trade with or supply or correspond with any pirate;
 - (iii.) conspires or corresponds with any pirate.

Piracy with violence.

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129. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to suffer death who, in committing or attempting to commit any piratical act, assaults with intent to murder, or wounds, any person, or does any act likely to endanger the life of any person.

Not fighting pirates.

130. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to six months' imprisonment, and to forfeit to the owner of the ship all wages then due to him, who, being a master, officer or seaman of any merchant ship which carries guns and arms, does not, when attacked by any pirate, fight and endeavour to defend himself and his vessel from being taken by such pirate, or who discourages others from defending the ship, if by reason thereof the ship falls into the hands of such pirate.

TITLE III.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE ADMINISTRATION OF LAW AND JUSTICE.

PART IX.

CORRUPTION AND DISOBEDIENCE.

Judicial corruption.

131. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to fourteen years' imprisonment who—

(a.) holding any judicial office, or being a member of Parliament or of a legislature, corruptly accepts or obtains, or agrees to accept, or attempts to obtain for himself or any other person, any money or valuable consideration, office, place, or employment on account of anything already

done or omitted, or to be afterwards done or omitted, by him in his judicial capacity, or in his capacity as such member;

(b.) corruptly gives or offers to any such person or to any other person, any such bribe as aforesaid on account of any such act or omission.

132. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Corruption of officers em-

liable to fourteen years' imprisonment who—

(a.) being a justice of the peace, peace officer, or public secuting officer, employed in any capacity for the prosecution or offenders. detection or punishment of offenders, corruptly accepts or obtains, or agrees to accept or attempts to obtain for himself, or for any other person, any money or valuable consideration, office, place or employment, with the intent to interfere corruptly with the due administration of justice, or to procure or facilitate the commission of any crime, or to protect from detection or punishmentany person having committed or intending to commit any crime; or

(b.) corruptly gives or offers to any such officer as aforesaid any such bribe as aforesaid with any such intent.

133. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable to a Frauds upon fine of not less than one hundred dollars, and not exceeding the Government. one thousand dollars, and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year and not less than one month, and in default of payment of such fine to imprisonment for a further time not exceeding six months who-

ployed in pro-

- (a.) makes any offer, proposal, gift, loan or promise, or who gives or offers any compensation or consideration, directly or indirectly, to any official or person in the employment of the Government, or to any member of his family, or to any person under his control, or for his benefit, with intent to obtain the assistance or influence of such official or person to promote either the procuring of any contract with the Government, for the performance of any work, the doing of any thing, or the furnishing of any goods, effects, food or materials, the execution of any such contract, or the payment of the price, or consideration stipulated therein, or any part thereof, or of any aid or subsidy, payable in respect thereof; or
- (b.) being an official or person in the employment of the Government, directly or indirectly, accepts or agrees to accept, or allows to be accepted by any person under his control, or for his benefit, any such offer, proposal, gift, loan, promise, compensation or consideration; or
- (c.) in the case of tenders being called for by or on behalf of the Government, for the performance of any work, the doing of any thing, or the furnishing of any goods, effects, food or materials, directly or indirectly, by himself or by the agency of any other person on his behalf, with intent to obtain the contract therefor, either for himself or for any other 5

other person, proposes to make, or makes, any gift, loan, offer or promise, or offers or gives any consideration or compensation whatsoever to any person tendering for such work or other service, or to any member of his family, or other person for his benefit, to induce such person to withdraw his tender for such work or other service, or to compensate or reward him for having withdrawn such tender; or

(d.) in case of so tendering, accepts or receives, directly or indirectly, or permits, or allows to be accepted or received by any member of his family, or by any other person under his control, or for his benefit, any such gift, loan, offer, promise, consideration or compensation, as a consideration or reward for withdrawing or for having withdrawn such

tender; or

- (e.) being an official or employee of the Government, receives, directly or indirectly, whether personally, or by or through any member of his family, or person under his control, or for his benefit, any gift, loan, promise, compensation or consideration whatsoever, either in money or otherwise, from any person whomsoever, for assisting or favouring any individual in the transaction of any business whatsoever with the Government, or who gives or offers any such gift, loan, promise, compensation or consideration; or
- (f.) by reason of, or under the pretense of, possessing influence with the Government, or with any Minister or official thereof, demands, exacts or receives from any person, any compensation, fee or reward, for procuring from the Government the payment of any claim, or of any portion thereof, or for procuring or furthering the appointment of himself, or of any other person, to any office, place or employment, or for procuring or furthering the obtaining for himself or any other person, of any grant, lease or other benefit from the Government; or offers, promises or pays to such person, under the circumstances and for the causes aforesaid, or any of them, any such compensation, fee or reward; or
- (g.) having dealings of any kind with the Government through any department thereof, pays any commission or reward, or within one year before or after such dealings, without the express permission in writing of the head of the department with which such dealings have been had, the proof of which permission shall lie upon him, makes any gift, loan, or promise of any money, matter or thing, to any employee or official of the Government, or to any member of the family of such employee or official, or to any person under his control, or for his benefit; or

(h.) being an employee or official of the Government, demands, exacts or receives, from such person, directly or indirectly, by himself, or by or through any other person for his benefit, or permits or allows any member of his family, or any person under his control. to accept or receive—

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(i.) any such commission or reward; or

(ii.) within the said period of one year, without the express permission in writing of the head of the department with which such dealings have been had, the proof of which permission shall lie upon him, accepts or receives

any such gift, loan or promise; or

- (i.) having any contract with the Government for the performance of any work, the doing of anything, or the furnishing of any goods, effects, food or materials, and having or expecting to have any claim or demand against the Government by reason of such contract, either directly or indirectly, by himself or by any person on his behalf, subscribes, furnishes or gives, or promises to subscribe, furnish or give, any money or other valuable consideration for the purpose of promoting the election of any candidate, or of any number, class or party of candidates to a legislature or to Parliament, or with the intent in any way of influencing or affecting the result of a provincial or Dominion election.
- 2. If the value of the amount or thing paid, offered, given, loaned, promised, received or subscribed, as the case may be, exceeds one thousand dollars, the offender under this section is liable to any fine not exceeding such value.
- 3. The words "the Government" in this section include the Government of Canada and the Government of any province of Canada, as well as Her Majesty in the right of Canada or of any province thereof.
- 134. Every person convicted of an offence under the next Other consepreceding section shall be incapable of contracting with the quences of conviction for Government, or of holding any contract or office with, from, any such or under it, or of receiving any benefit under any such con-offence. tract. R.S.C., c. 173, ss. 22 and 23.

135. Every public officer is guilty of an indictable offence Breach of and liable to five years' imprisonment who, in the discharge public officer. of the duties of his office, commits any fraud or breach of trust affecting the public, whether such fraud or breach of trust would have been criminal or not if committed against a private person.

136. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Corrupt pracliable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and not tices in muniless than one hundred dollars, and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years and not less than one month, and in default of payment of such fine to imprisonment for a further term not exceeding six months, who directly or indirectly,—

(a) makes any offer, proposal, gift, loan, promise or agreement to pay or give any money or other material compensation or consideration to any member of a municipal council, whether the same is to inure to his own advantage or to the advantage of any other person, for the purpose of inducing such member either to vote or to abstain from voting at any meeting of the council of which he is a member or at any meeting of a committee of such council, in favour of or against any measure, motion, resolution or question submitted to such council or committee; or

- (b.) makes any offer, proposal, gift, loan, promise or agreement to pay or give any money or other material compensation or consideration to any member or to any officer of a municipal council for the purpose of inducing him to aid in procuring or preventing the passing of any vote or the granting of any contract or advantage in favour of any person; or
- (c.) makes any offer, proposal, gift, loan, promise or agreement to pay or give any money or other material compensation or consideration to any officer of a municipal council for the purpose of inducing him to perform or abstain from performing, or to aid in procuring or preventing the performance of, any official act; or
- (d.) being a member or officer of a municipal council, accepts or consents to accept any such offer, proposal, gift, loan, promise, agreement, compensation or consideration as is in this section before mentioned; or in consideration thereof, votes or abstains from voting in favour of or against any measure, motion, resolution or question, or performs or abstains from performing any official act; or
- (e.) attempts by any threat, deceit, suppression of the truth or other unlawful means to influence any member of a municipal council in giving or withholding his vote in favour of or against any measure, motion, resolution or question, or in not attending any meeting of the municipal council of which he is a member, or of any committee thereof; or
- (f.) attempts by any such means as in the next preceding paragraph mentioned to influence any member or any officer of a municipal council to aid in procuring or preventing the passing of any vote or the granting of any contract or advantage in favour of any person, or to perform or abstain from performing, or to aid in procuring or preventing the performance of, any official act. 52 V., c. 42, s. 2.

Selling office, appointment, &c.

- 137. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence who, directly or indirectly—
- (a.) sells or agrees to sell any appointment to or resignation of any office, or any consent to any such appointment or resignation, or receives, or agrees to receive, any reward or profit from the sale thereof; or
- (b.) purchases or gives any reward or profit for the purchase of any such appointment, resignation or consent, or agrees or promises to do so.

Every one who commits any such offence as aforesaid, in addition to any other penalty thereby incurred forfeits any right right which he may have in the office and is disabled for life from holding the same.

2. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence who, directly

or indirectly—

(a.) receives or agrees to receive any reward or profit for any interest, request or negotiation about any office, or under pretense of using any such interest, making any such request or being concerned in any such negotiation; or

(b.) gives or procures to be given any profit or reward, or makes or procures to be made any agreement for the giving of any profit or reward, for any such interest, request or

negotiation as aforesaid; or

(c.) solicits, recommends or negotiates in any manner as to any appointment to or resignation of any office in expectation of any reward or profit; or

(d.) keeps any office or place for transacting or negotiating any business relating to vacancies in, or the sale or pur-

chase of, or appointment to or resignation of offices.

The word "office" in this section includes every office in the gift of the Crown or of any officer appointed by the Crown, and all commissions, civil, naval and military, and all places or employments in any public department or office whatever, and all deputations to any such office and every participation in the profits of any office or deputation.

138. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Disobedience to one year's imprisonment who, without lawful excuse, disobeys any Act of the Parliament of Canada or of any legislature in Canada by wilfully doing any act which it forbids, or omitting to do any act which it requires to be done, unless some penalty or other mode of punishment is expressly provided by law.

139. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Disobedience to one year's imprisonment who, without lawful excuse, to orders of disobeys any lawful order other than for the payment of money made by any court of justice, or by any person or body of persons authorized by any statute to make or give such order, unless some penalty is imposed, or other mode of proceeding is expressly provided, by law.

140. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Neglect of to two years' imprisonment who, being a sheriff, deputy-peace officer to suppress sheriff, mayor, or other head officer, justice of the peace, riot. or other magistrate, or other peace officer, of any county, city, town, or district, having notice that there is a riot within his jurisdiction, without reasonable excuse omits to do his duty in suppressing such riot.

141. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Neglect to aid to one year's imprisonment who, having reasonable notice peace officer in suppressing that he is required to assist any sheriff, deputy-sheriff, riot.

mayor, or other head officer, justice of the peace, magistrate. or peace officer in suppressing any riot, without reasonable excuse omits so to do.

Neglect to aid peace officer in arresting offenders.

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142. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to six months' imprisonment who, having reasonable notice that he is required to assist any sheriff, deputy-sheriff, mayor or other head officer, justice of the peace, magistrate, or peace officer, in the execution of his duty in arresting any person, or in preserving the peace, without reasonable excuse omits so to do.

Misconduct of officers intrusted with execution of writs.

143. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to a fine and imprisonment, who, being a sheriff, deputysheriff, coroner, elisor, bailiff, constable or other officer intrusted with the execution of any writ, warrant or process, wilfully misconducts himself in the execution of the same, or wilfully, and without the consent of the person in whose favour the writ, warrant or process was issued, makes any false return thereto. R.S.C., c. 173, s. 29.

Obstructing officer in the execution of his duty.

144. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and public or peace liable to ten years' imprisonment who resists or wilfully obstructs any public officer in the execution of his duty or any person acting in aid of such officer.

2. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable on indictment to two years' imprisonment, and on summary conviction before two justices of the peace to six months' imprisonment with hard labour, or to a fine of one hundred dollars, who resists or wilfully obstructs—

(a.) any peace officer in the execution of his duty or

any person acting in aid of any such officer;

(b.) any person in the lawful execution of any process against any lands or goods or in making any lawful distress or seizure. R.S.C., c 162, s. 34.

PART X.

MISLEADING JUSTICE.

Perjury defined.

145. Perjury is an assertion as to a matter of fact, opinion, belief or knowledge, made by a witness in a judicial proceeding as part of his evidence, upon oath or affirmation, whether such evidence is given in open court, or by affidavit or otherwise, and whether such evidence is material or not, such assertion being known to such witness to be false, and being intended by him to mislead the court, jury, or person holding the proceeding. Evidence in this section includes evidence given on the voir dire and evidence given before a grand jury.

- 2. Every person is a witness within the meaning of this section who actually gives his evidence, whether he was competent to be a witness or not, and whether his evidence was admissible or not.
- 3. Every proceeding is judicial within the meaning of this section which is held in or under the authority of any court of justice, or before a grand jury, or before either the Senate or House of Commons of Canada, or any committee of either the Senate or House of Commons, or before any Legislative Council, Legislative Assembly or House of Assembly or any committee thereof, empowered by law to administer an oath, or before any justice of the peace, or any arbitrator or umpire. or any person or body of persons authorized by law or by any statute in force for the time being to make an inquiry and take evidence therein upon oath, or before any legal tribunal by which any legal right or liability can be established, or before any person acting as a court, justice or tribunal, having power to hold such judicial proceeding, whether duly constituted or not, and whether the proceeding was duly instituted or not before such court or person so as to authorize it or him to hold the proceeding, and although such proceeding was held in a wrong place or was otherwise invalid.
- 4. Subornation of perjury is counselling or procuring a person to commit any perjury which is actually committed.
- 146. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Punishment liable to fourteen years' imprisonment who commits perjury of perjury. or subornation of perjury.
- 2. If the crime is committed in order to procure the conviction of a person for any crime punishable by death, or imprisonment for seven years or more, the punishment may be imprisonment for life. R.S.C., c. 154, s. 1.
- 147. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and False oaths. liable to seven years' imprisonment who, being required or authorized by law to make any statement on oath, affirmation or solemn declaration, thereupon makes a statement which would amount to perjury if made in a judicial proceeding.

148. Every one is guilty of perjury who—

(a.) having taken or made any oath, affirmation, solemn ment, wilful omission in declaration or affidavit where by any Act or law in force in affidavit, &c. Canada, or in any province of Canada, it is required or permitted that facts, matters or things be verified or otherwise assured or ascertained by or upon the oath, affirmation, declaration or affidavit of any person, wilfully and corruptly, upon such oath, affirmation, declaration or affidavit, deposes, swears to or makes any false statement as to any such fact, matter or thing; or

False state-

(b.) knowingly, wilfully and corruptly, upon oath, affirmation, or solemn declaration, affirms, declares, or deposes to the truth of any statement for so verifying, assuring or ascertaining any such fact, matter or thing, or purporting so to do, or knowingly, wilfully and corruptly takes, makes, signs or subscribes any such affirmation, declaration or affidavit, as to any such fact, matter or thing, -such statement, affidavit, affirmation or declaration being untrue, in the whole or any part thereof. R.S.C., c. 154, s. 2.

Making false which it is used.

149. Every person who wilfully and corruptly makes any amdavit out of province in false affidavit, affirmation or solemn declaration, out of the province in which it is to be used but within Canada, before any person authorized to take the same, for the purpose of being used in any province of Canada, is guilty of perjury in like manner as if such false affidavit, affirmation or declaration were made before a competent authority in the province in which it is used or intended to be used. R.S.C., c. 154. s. 3.

False statements.

150. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who, upon any occasion on which he is permitted by law to make any statement or declaration before any officer authorized by law to permit it to be made before him, or before any notary public to be certified by him as such notary, makes a statement which would amount to perjury if made on oath in a judicial proceeding.

Fabricating evidence.

151. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to seven years' imprisonment who, with intent to mislead any court of justice or person holding any such judicial proceeding as aforesaid, fabricates evidence by any means other than perjury or subornation of perjury.

Conspiring to bring false accusations.

152. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence who conspires to prosecute any person for any alleged offence, knowing such person to be innocent thereof, and shall be liable to the following punishment:

(a.) To imprisonment for fourteen years if such person might, upon conviction for the alleged offence, be sentenced

to death or imprisonment for life;

(b.) To imprisonment for ten years if such person might upon conviction for the alleged offence, be sentenced to imprisonment for any term less than life.

Administering_oaths withoutauthority.

153. Every justice of the peace or other person who administers, or causes or allows to be administered, or receives or causes or allows to be received any oath or affirmation touching and matter or thing whereof such justice or other person has not jurisdiction or cognizance by some law in force at the time being, or authorized or required by any such law, is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or to imprisonment for

any term not exceeding three months.

2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to any oath or affirmation before any justice in any matter or thing touching the preservation of the peace, or the prosecution, trial or punishment of any offence, or to any oath or affirmation required or authorized by any law of Canada, or by any law of the province wherein such oath or affirmation is received or administered, or is to be used, or to any oath or affirmation, which is required or authorized by the laws of any foreign country to give validity to an instrument in writing or to evidence designed or intended to be used in such foreign country. R.S.C., c. 141, s. 1.

154. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Corrupting to two years' imprisonment who--

(a.) dissuades or attempts to dissuade any person by threats, bribes or other corrupt means from giving evidence

in any cause or matter, civil or criminal; or

(b.) influences or attempts to influence, by threats or bribes or other corrupt means, any juryman in his conduct. as such, whether such person has been sworn as a juryman or not; or

- (c.) accepts any such bribe or other corrupt consideration to abstain from giving evidence, or on account of his conduct as a juryman; or
- (d.) wilfully attempts in any other way to obstruct, pervert or defeat the course of justice. R.S.C., c. 173, s. 30.
- 155. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Compounding to a fine not exceeding the penalty compounded for, who, penal actions. having brought, or under colour of bringing, an action against any person under any penal statute in order to obtain from him any penalty, compounds the said action without order or consent of the court, whether any offence has in fact been committed or not. R.S.C., c. 173, s. 31.

156. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Corruptly liable to seven years' imprisonment who corruptly takes any taking a reward for money or reward, directly or indirectly, under pretense or helping to reupon account of helping any person to recover any chattel, cover stolen money, valuable security or other property which, by any without using indictable offence has been stolen, taken, obtained, extorted, bring offender converted or disposed of unless he has used all due diligence to trial. to cause the offender to be brought to trial for the same. R.S.C., c. 164, s. 89.

157. Every one is liable to a penalty of two hundred and Uniawfully fifty dollars for each offence, recoverable with costs by any advertising reward for person who sues for the same in any court of competent return of jurisdiction, who-

perty.

- (a.) publicly advertises a reward for the return of any property which has been stolen or lost, and in such advertisement uses any words purporting that no questions will be asked; or
- (b.) makes use of any words in any public advertisement purporting that a reward will be given or paid for any property which has been stolen or lost, without seizing or making any inquiry after the person producing such property; or
- (c.) promises or offers in any such public advertisement to return to any pawnbroker or other person who advanced money by way of loan on, or has bought, any property stolen or lost, the money so advanced or paid, or any other sum of money for the return of such property; or

(d.) prints or publishes any such advertisement. R.S.C., c. 164, s. 90.

Signing false declaration respecting execution of judgment of death.

158. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment, who knowingly and wilfully signs a false certificate or declaration when a certificate or declaration is required with respect to the execution of judgment of death on any prisoner. R.S.C., c. 181, s. 19.

PART XI.

ESCAPES AND RESCUES.

Being at large while under sentence of imprisonment

159. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who, having been sentenced to imprisonment, is afterwards, and before the expiration of the term for which he was sentenced, at large within Canada without some lawful cause, the proof whereof shall lie on him.

Assisting escape of pri-

- 160. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable soners of war, to five years' imprisonment who knowingly and wilfully—
 - (a.) assists any alien enemy of Her Majesty, being a prisoner of war in Canada, to escape from any place in which he may be detained; or
 - (b.) assists any such prisoner as aforesaid, suffered to be at large on his parole in Canada or in any part thereof, to escape from the place where he is at large on his parole.

Breaking prison.

161. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to seven years' imprisonment who, by force or violence, breaks any prison with intent to set at liberty himself or any other person confined therein on any criminal charge.

Attempting to 162. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and break prison liable to two years' imprisonment who attempts to break prison.

prison, or who forcibly breaks out of his cell, or makes any breach therein with intent to escape therefrom. R.S.C., c. 155, s. 5.

163. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Escape from custody after to two years' imprisonment who—

conviction or

- (a.) having been convicted of any offence, escapes from from prison. any lawful custody in which he may be under such conviction: or
- (b.) whether convicted or not, escapes from any prison in which he is lawfully confined on any criminal charge.
- 164. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Escape from to two years' imprisonment who being in lawful custody lawful custody. other than as aforesaid on any criminal charge, escapes from such custody.

165. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Assisting esto seven years' imprisonment who—

- (a.) rescues any person or assists any person in escaping, or attempting to escape, from lawful custody, whether in prison or not, under sentence of death or imprisonment for life, or after conviction of, and before sentence for, or while in such custody upon a charge of any crime punishable with death or imprisonment for life; or
- (b.) being a peace officer and having any such person in his lawful custody, or being an officer of any prison in which any such person is lawfully confined, voluntarily and intentionally permits him to escape therefrom.

166. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Assisting escape in other to five years' imprisonment who—

- (a.) rescues any person, or assists any person in escaping, or attempting to escape, from lawful custody, whether in prison or not, under a sentence of imprisonment for any term less than life, or after conviction of, and before sentence for, or while in such custody upon a charge of any crime punishable with imprisonment for a term less than life; or
- (b.) being a peace officer having any such person in his lawful custody, or being an officer of any prison in which such person is lawfully confined, voluntarily and intentionally permits him to escape therefrom.
- 167. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Aiding escap liable to two years' imprisonment who with intent to facili- from prison. tate the escape of any prisoner lawfully imprisoned conveys, or causes to be conveyed, anything into any prison.
- 168. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Unlawfully liable to two years' imprisonment, who knowingly and charge of priunlawfully, soner.

unlawfully, under colour of any pretended authority, directs or procures the discharge of any prisoner not entitled to be so discharged, and the person so discharged shall be held to have escaped. R.S.C., c. 155, s. 8.

How escaped prisoners shall be punished.

169. Every one who escapes from custody, shall, on being retaken, serve, in the prison to which he was sentenced, the remainder of his term unexpired at the time of his escape, in addition to the punishment which is awarded for such escape; and any imprisonment awarded for such offence may be to the penitentiary or prison from which the escape was made. R.S.C., c. 155, s. 11.

TITLE IV.

OFFENCES AGAINST RELIGION, MORALS AND PUBLIC CONVENIENCE.

PART XII.

OFFENCES AGAINST RELIGION.

Blasphemous libels. 170. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who publishes any blasphemous libel.

2. Whether any particular published matter is a blasphemous libel or not is a question of fact. But no one is guilty of a blasphemous libel for expressing in good faith and in decent language, or attempting to establish by arguments used in good faith and conveyed in decent language, any opinion whatever upon any religious subject.

Obstructing officiating clergyman.

- 171. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who—
- (a.) by threats or force, unlawfully obstructs or prevents, or endeavours to obstruct or prevent, any clergyman or other minister in or from celebrating divine service, or otherwise officiating in any church, chapel, meeting-house, school-house or other place for divine worship, or in or from the performance of his duty in the lawful burial of the dead in any church-yard or other burial place. R.S.C., c. 156, s. 1.

Violence to officiating clergyman.

172. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who strikes or offers any violence to, or upon any civil process, or under the pretense of executing any civil process, arrests any clergyman or other minister who is engaged in or, to the knowledge of the offender, is about to engage in, any of the rites or duties in

the next preceding section mentioned, or who, to the knowledge of the offender, is going to perform the same, or returning from the performance thereof. R.S.C., c. 156, s. 1.

173. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on Disturbing summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars ship. and costs, and in default of payment to one month's imprisonment, who wilfully disturbs, interrupts or disquiets any assemblage of persons met for religious worship, or for any moral, social or benevolent purpose, by profane discourse, by rude or indecent behaviour, or by making a noise, either within the place of such meeting or so near it as to disturb the order or solemnity of the meeting. R.S.C., c. 156, s. 2.

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PART XIII.

OFFENCES AGAINST MORALITY.

- 174. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Unnatural liable to imprisonment for life who commits buggery, either offence. with a human being or with any other living creature. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 1.
- 175. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Attempt to to ten years' imprisonment who attempts to commit the my. offence mentioned in the next preceding section. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 1.
- 176. Every parent and child, every brother and sister, Incest. and every grandparent and grandchild, who cohabit or have sexual intercourse with each other, shall each of them, if aware of their consanguinity, be deemed to have committed incest, and be guilty of an indictable offence and liable to fourteen years' imprisonment, and the male person shall also be liable to be whipped: Provided that, if the court or judge is of opinion that the female accused is a party to such intercourse only by reason of the restraint, fear or duress of the other party, the court or judge shall not be bound to impose any punishment on such person under this section. 53 V., c. 37, s. 8.
- 177. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on Indecent acts. summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a fine of fifty dollars or to six months' imprisonment with or without hard labour, or to both fine and imprisonment, who wilfullv—

(a.) in the presence of one or more persons does any indecent act in any place to which the public have or are permitted to have access; or

(b.)

(b.) does any indecent act in any place intending thereby to insult or offend any person. 53 V., c. 37, s. 6.

Acts of gross indecency. 178. Every male person is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to five years' imprisonment and to be whipped who, in public or private, commits, or is a party to the commission of, or procures or attempts to procure the commission by any male person of, any act of gross indecency with another male person. 53 V., c. 37, s. 5.

Publishing obscene matter.

- 179. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who knowingly, without lawful justification or excuse—
- (a.) publicly sells, or exposes for public sale or to public view, any obscene book, or other printed or written matter, or any picture, photograph, model or other object, tending to corrupt morals; or
- (b.) publicly exhibits any disgusting object or any indecent show;
- (c.) offers to sell, advertises, publishes an advertisement of or has for sale or disposal any medicine, drug or article intended or represented as a means of preventing conception or causing abortion.
- 2. No one shall be convicted of any offence in this section mentioned if he proves that the public good was served by the acts alleged to have been done.
- 3. It shall be a question of law whether the occasion of the sale, publishing, or exhibition is such as might be for the public good, and whether there is evidence of excess beyond what the public good requires in the manner, extent or circumstances in, to or under which the sale, publishing or exhibition is made, so as to afford a justification or excuse therefor; but it shall be a question for the jury whether there is or is not such excess.
- 4. The motives of the seller, publisher or exhibitor shall in all cases be irrelevant.

Posting immoral books, &c.

- 180. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who posts for transmission or delivery by or through the post—
- (a.) any obscene or immoral book, pamphlet, newspaper, picture, print, engraving, lithograph, photograph or other publication, matter or thing of an indecent or immoral character; or
- (b.) any letter upon the outside or envelope of which, or any post card or post band or wrapper upon which there are words, devices, matters or things of the character aforesaid: or
- (c.) any letter or circular concerning schemes devised or intended to deceive and defraud the public or for the purpose of obtaining money under false pretenses. R.S.C., c. 35, s. 103.

181. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Seduction of to two years' imprisonment who seduces and has illicit girls under sixteen. connection with any girl of previously chaste character, of or above the age of fourteen years and under the age of sixteen years. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 3; 53 V., c. 37, s. 3.

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182. Every one, above the age of twenty-one years, is Seduction guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' of marriage. imprisonment who, under promise of marriage, seduces and has illicit connection with any unmarried female of previously chaste character and under twenty-one years of age. 50-51 V., c. 48, s. 2.

183. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Seduction of a liable to two years' imprisonment who, being a guardian, &c. seduces or has illicit connection with his ward, and every one who seduces or has illicit connection with any woman or girl of previously chaste character and under the age of twenty-one years who is in his employment in a factory, mill or workshop, or who, being in a common employment with him in such factory, mill or workshop, is, in respect of her employment or work in such factory, mill or workshop, under or in any way subject to his control or direction. 53 V., c. 37, s. 4.

184. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Seduction of to a fine of four hundred dollars, or to one year's imprison- females who are passengers ment, who, being the master or other officer or a seaman on vessels. or other person employed on board of any vessel, while such vessel is in any water within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, under promise of marriage, or by threats, or by the exercise of his authority, or by solicitation, or the making of gifts or presents, seduces and has illicit connection with any female passenger.

2. The subsequent intermarriage of the seducer and the seduced is, if pleaded, a good defence to any indictment for any offence against this or either of the two next preceding sections except in the case of a guardian seducing his ward. R.S.C., c. 65, s. 37.

185. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence, and Unlawfully liable to two years' imprisonment with hard labour, who— defiling women.

- (a.) procures, or attempts to procure, any girl or woman under twenty-one years of age, not being a common prostitute or of known immoral character, to have unlawful carnal connection, either within or without Canada, with any other person or persons; or
- (b.) inveigles or entices any such woman or girl to a house of ill-fame or assignation for the purpose of illicit intercourse or prostitution, or knowingly conceals in such house any such woman or girl so inveigled or enticed; or

- (c.) procures, or attempts to procure, any woman or girl to become, either within or without Canada, a common prostitute; or
- (d.) procures, or attempts to procure, any woman or girl to leave Canada with intent that she may become an inmate of a brothel elsewhere; or
- (e.) procures any woman or girl to come to Canada from abroad with intent that she may become an inmate of a brothel in Canada; or
- (f.) procures, or attempts to procure, any woman or girl to leave her usual place of abode in Canada, such place not being a brothel, with intent that she may become an inmate of a brothel within or without Canada; or
- (g.) by threats or intimidation procures, or attempts to procure, any woman or girl to have any unlawful carnal connection, either within or without Canada; or
- (h.) by false pretenses or false representations procures any woman or girl, not being a common prostitute or of known immoral character, to have any unlawful carnal connection, either within or without Canada; or
- (i.) applies, administers to, or causes to be taken by any woman or girl any drug, intoxicating liquor, matter, or thing with intent to stupefy or overpower so as thereby to enable any person to have unlawful carnal connection with such woman or girl. 53 V., c. 39, s. 9; R.S.C., c. 157, s. 7.

Parent or guardian procuring defilement of girl.

- 186. Every one who, being the parent or guardian of any girl or woman,—
- (a.) procures such girl or woman to have carnal connection with any man other than the procurer; or
- (b.) orders, is party to, permits or knowingly receives the avails of the defilement, seduction or prostitution of such girl or woman,

is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to fourteen years' imprisonment if such girl or woman is under the age of fourteen years, and if such girl or woman is of or above the age of fourteen years to five years' imprisonment. 53 V., c. 37, s. 9.

Householders permitting defilement of girls on their premises.

- 187. Every one who, being the owner and occupier of any premises, or having, or acting or assisting in, the management or control thereof, induces or knowingly suffers any girl of such age as in this section mentioned to resort to or be in or upon such premises for the purpose of being unlawfully and carnally known by any man, whether such carnal knowledge is intended to be with any particular man, or generally, is guilty of an indictable offence and—
- (a.) is liable to ten years' imprisonment if such girl is under the age of fourteen years; and
- (b.) is liable to two years' imprisonment if such girl is of or above the age of fourteen and under the age of sixteen years. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 5; 53 V. c. 37, s. 3.

188. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Conspiracy to to two years' imprisonment who conspires with any other defile. person by false pretenses, or false representations or other fraudulent means, to induce any woman to commit adultery or fornication.

189. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Carnally to four years' imprisonment who unlawfully and carnally idiots, &c. knows, or attempts to have unlawful carnal knowledge of, any female idiot or imbecile, insane or deaf and dumb woman or girl, under circumstances which do not amount to rape but which prove that the offender knew, at the time of the offence, that the woman or girl was an idiot, or imbecile, or insane or deaf and dumb. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 3; 50-51 V. c. 48, s. 1.

190. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Prostitution of Indian to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less woman. than ten dollars, or six months' imprisonment-

(a.) who, being the keeper of any house, tent or wigwam, allows or suffers any unenfranchised Indian woman to be or remain in such house, tent or wigwam, knowing or having probable cause for believing that such Indian woman is in or remains in such house, tent or wigwam with the intention of prostituting herself therein; or

(b.) who, being an Indian woman, prostitutes herself therein; or

(c.) who, being an unenfranchised Indian woman, keeps, frequents or is found in a disorderly house, tent or wigwam used for any such purpose.

2. Every person who appears, acts or behaves as master or mistress, or as the person who has the care or management, of any house, tent or wigwam in which any such Indian woman is or remains for the purpose of prostituting herself therein, is deemed to be the keeper thereof, notwithstanding he or she is not in fact the real keeper thereof. R.S.C., c. 43, s. 106; 50-51 V., c. 33, s. 11.

PART XIV.

NUISANCES.

191. A common nuisance is an unlawful act or omission Common nuito discharge a legal duty, which act or omission endangers sance defined. the lives, safety, health, property or comfort of the public, or by which the public are obstructed in the exercise or enjoyment of any right common to all Her Majesty's subjects.

Common muisances which are criminal. 192. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment or a fine who commits any common nuisance which endangers the lives, safety or health of the public, or which occasions injury to the person of any individual.

Common nuisances which are not criminal. 193. Any one convicted upon any indictment or information for any common nuisance other than those mentioned in the preceding section, shall not be deemed to have committed a criminal offence; but all such proceedings or judgments may be taken and had as heretofore to abate or remedy the mischief done by such nuisance to the public right.

Selling things unfit for food.

- 194. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who knowingly and wilfully exposes for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, for human food articles which he knows to be unfit for human food.
- 2. Every one who is convicted of this offence after a previous conviction for the same crime shall be liable to two years' imprisonment.

Common bawdy-house defined.

195. A common bawdy-house is a house, room, set of rooms or place of any kind kept for purposes of prostitution.

Common gaming-house defined.

196. A common gaming-house is—

- (a.) a house, room or place kept by any person for gain, to which persons resort for the purpose of playing at any game of chance; or
- (b.) a house, room or place kept or used for playing therein at any game of chance, or any mixed game of chance and skill, in which—

(i.) a bank is kept by one or more of the players exclu-

sively of the others; or

(ii.) in which any game is played the chances of which are not alike favourable to all the players, including among the players the banker or other person by whom the game is managed, or against whom the game is managed, or against whom the other players stake, play or bet.

Common betting-house defined.

- 197. A common betting-house is a house, office, room or other place—
- (a.) opened, kept or used for the purpose of betting between persons resorting thereto and—
 - (i.) the owner, occupier, or keeper thereof;

(ii.) any person using the same;

(iii.) any person procured or employed by, or acting for or on behalf of any such person;

(iv.) any person having the care or management, or in any manner conducting the business thereof; or

(b.)

(b.) opened, kept or used for the purpose of any money or valuable thing being received by or on behalf of any such person as aforesaid, as or for the consideration,

(i.) for any assurance or undertaking, express or implied, to pay or give thereafter any money or valuable thing on any event or contingency of or relating to any

horse-race or other race, fight, game or sport; or

(ii.) for securing the paying or giving by some other person of any money or valuable thing on any such event or contingency.

198. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Disorderly to one year's imprisonment who keeps any disorderly house, houses. that is to say, any common bawdy-house, common gaminghouse or common betting-house, as hereinbefore defined.

- 2. Any one who appears, acts, or behaves as master or mistress, or as the person having the care, government or management, of any disorderly house shall be deemed to be the keeper thereof, and shall be liable to be prosecuted and punished as such, although in fact he or she is not the real owner or keeper thereof.
- 199. Every one who plays or looks on while any other Playing or person is playing in a common gaming-house is guilty of an looking on in gaming-house. offence and liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than twenty dollars, and in default of payment to two months' imprisonment. R.S.C., c. 158, s. 6.

200. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable, on sum-Obstructing mary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a penalty peace officer entering a not exceeding one hundred dollars, and to six months' gaming-house imprisonment with or without hard labour who-

- (a.) wilfully prevents any constable or other officer duly authorized to enter any disorderly house, as mentioned in section one hundred and ninety-eight, from entering the same or any part thereof; or
- (b.) obstructs or delays any such constable or officer in so entering; or
- (c.) by any bolt, chain or other contrivance secures any external or internal door of, or means of access to, any common gaming-house so authorized to be entered; or
- (d.) uses any means or contrivance whatsoever for the purpose of preventing, obstructing or delaying the entry of any constable or officer, authorized as aforesaid, into any such disorderly house or any part thereof. R.S.C., c. 158, s. 7.

201. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable Gaming in to five years' imprisonment, and to a fine of five hundred stocks and merchandise. dollars, who, with the intent to make gain or profit by the rise or fall in price of any stock of any incorporated or unincorporated company or undertaking, either in Canada or elsewhere, or of any goods, wares or merchandise-

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- (a.) without the bonâ fide intention of acquiring any such shares, goods, wares or merchandise, or of selling the same, as the case may be, makes or signs, or authorizes to be made or signed, any contract or agreement, oral or written, purporting to be for the sale or purchase of any such shares of stock, goods, wares or merchandise; or
- (b.) makes or signs, or authorizes to be made or signed, any contract or agreement, oral or written, purporting to be for the sale or purchase of any such shares of stock, goods, wares or merchandise in respect of which no delivery of the thing sold or purchased is made or received, and without the bonâ fide interion to make or receive such delivery.
- 2. But it is not an offence if the broker of the purchaser receives delivery, on his behalf, of the article sold, notwithstanding that such broker retains or pledges the same as security for the advance of the purchase money or any part thereof.
- 3. Every office or place of business wherein is carried on the business of making or signing, or procuring to be made or signed, or negotiating or bargaining for the making or signing of such contracts of sale or purchase as are prohibited in this section is a common gaming-house, and every one who as principal or agent occupies, uses, manages or maintains the same is the keeper of a common gaming-house. 51 V., c. 42, ss. 1 and 3.

Habitually frequenting places where gaming in stocks is carried on.

202. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who habitually frequents any office or place wherein the making or signing, or procuring to be made or signed, or the negotiating or bargaining for the making or signing, of such contracts of sale or purchase as are mentioned in the section next preceding is carried on. 51 V., c. 42, s. 1.

Gambling in public conveyances.

- 203. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who—
- (a.) in any railway car or steamboat, used as a public conveyance for passengers, by means of any game of cards, dice or other instrument of gambling, or by any device of like character, obtains from any other person any money, chattel, valuable security or property; or
- (b.) attempts to commit such offence by actually engaging any person in any such game with intent to obtain money or other valuable thing from him.
- 2. Every conductor, master or superior officer in charge of, and every clerk or employee when authorized by the conductor or superior officer in charge of, any railway train or steamboat, station or landing place in or at which any such offence, as aforesaid, is committed or attempted, must, with or without warrant, arrest any person whom he has good reason to believe to have committed or attempted to commit

the same, and take him before a justice of the peace, and make complaint of such offence on oath, in writing

- 3. Every conductor, master or superior officer in charge of any such railway car or steamboat, who makes default in the discharge of any such duty is liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than twenty dollars.
- 4. Every company or person who owns or works any such railway car or steamboat must keep a copy of this section posted up in some conspicuous part of such railway car or steamboat.
- 5. Every company or person who makes default in the discharge of such duty is liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and not less than twenty dollars. R.S.C., c. 160, ss. 1, 3 and 6.
- 204. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence, and Betting and liable to one year's imprisonment, and to a fine not exceeding pool-selling one thousand dollars, who—

(a.) uses or knowingly allows any part of any premises under his control to be used for the purpose of recording or registering any bet or wager, or selling any pool; or

- (h) keeps, exhibits, or employs, or knowingly allows to be kept, exhibited or employed, in any part of any premises under his control, any device or apparatus for the purpose of recording any bet or wager or selling any pool; or
- (c.) becomes the custodian or depositary of any money, property or valuable thing staked, wagered or pledged; or
- (d.) records or registers any bet or wager, or sells any pool, upon the result—
 - (i.) of any political or municipal election;
 - (ii.) of any race;
 - (iii.) of any contest or trial of skill or endurance of man or beast.
- 2. The provisions of this section shall not extend to any person by reason of his becoming the custodian or depositary of any money, property or valuable thing staked, to be paid to the winner of any lawful race, sport, game, or exercise, or to the owner of any horse engaged in any lawful race, or to bets between individuals or made on the race course of an incorporated association during the actual progress of a race meeting. R.S.C., c. 159, s. 9.
- 205. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and Lotteries. liable to two years' imprisonment and to a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, who—
- (a.) makes, prints, advertises or publishes, or causes or procures to be made, printed, advertised or published, any proposal, scheme or plan for advancing, lending, giving, selling or in any way disposing of any property, by lots, cards, tickets, or any mode of chance whatsoever; or

- (b.) sells, barters, exchanges or otherwise disposes of, or causes or procures, or aids or assists in, the sale, barter, exchange or other disposal of, or offers for sale, barter or exchange, any lot, card, ticket or other means or device for advancing, lending, giving, selling or otherwise disposing of any property, by lots, tickets or any mode of chance whatsoever.
- 2. Every one is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty of twenty dollars, who buys, takes or receives any such lot, ticket or other device as aforesaid.
- 3. Every sale, loan, gift, barter or exchange of any property, by any lottery, ticket, card or other mode of chance depending upon or to be determined by chance or lot, is void, and all such property so sold, lent, given, bartered or exchanged, is liable to be forfeited to any person who sues for the same by action or information in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 4. No such forfeiture shall affect any right or title to such property acquired by any bonû fide purchaser for valuable consideration, without notice.
- 5. This section includes the printing or publishing, or causing to be printed or published, of any advertisement, scheme, proposal or plan of any foreign lottery, and the sale or offer for sale of any ticket, chance or share, in any such lottery, or the advertisement for sale of such ticket, chance or share.
 - 6. This section does not apply to—

(a.) the division by lot or chance of any property by joint tenants or tenants in common, or persons having joint

interests (droits indivis) in any such property; or

- (b.) raffles for prizes of small value at any bazaar held for any charitable object, if permission to hold the same has been obtained from the city or other municipal council, or from the mayor, reeve or other chief officer of the city, town or other municipality, wherein such bazaar is held and the articles raffled for thereat have first been offered for sale and none of them are of a value exceeding fifty dollars; or
- (c.) any distribution by lot among the members or ticket holders of any incorporated society established for the encouragement of art, of any paintings, drawings or other work of art produced by the labour of the members of, or published by or under the direction of, such incorporated society;
- (d.) the Crédit Foncier du Bas-Canada, or to the Crédit

Foncier Franco-Canadien.

Misconduct in respect to human remains,

206. Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to five years' imprisonment who—

(a.) without lawful excuse, neglects to perform any duty either imposed upon him by law or undertaken by him with

with reference to the burial of any dead human body or human remains; or

(b.) improperly or indecently interferes with or offers any indignity to any dead human body or human remains, whether buried or not.

PART XV.

VAGRANCY.

207. Every one is a loose, idle or disorderly person or vagrant vagrant who—

(a.) not having any visible means of maintaining him-

self lives without employment;

- (b.) being able to work and thereby or by other means to maintain himself and family wilfully refuses or neglects to do so;
- (c.) openly exposes or exhibits in any street, road, highway or public place, any indecent exhibition;

(d.) without a certificate signed, within six months, by a priest, clergyman or minister of the Gospel, or two justices of the peace, residing in the municipality where the alms are being asked, that he or she is a deserving object of charity, wanders about and begs, or goes about from door to door, or places himself or herself in any street, highway,

passage or public place to beg or receive alms;

(e.) loiters on any street, road, highway or public place, and obstructs passengers by standing across the footpath, or by using insulting language, or in any other way;

(f.) causes a disturbance in or near any street, road, highway or public place, by screaming, swearing or singing, or by being drunk, or by impeding or incommoding peaceable passengers;

(g.) by discharging firearms, or by riotous or disorderly conduct in any street or highway, wantonly disturbs the peace and quiet of the inmates of any dwelling-house near such street or highway;

(h.) tears down or defaces signs, breaks windows, or doors or door plates, or the walls of houses, roads or gardens, or

destroys fences;

- (i.) being a common prostitute or night walker, wanders in the fields, public streets or highways, lanes or places of public meeting or gathering of people, and does not give a satisfactory account of herself;
- (j.) is a keeper or inmate of a disorderly house, bawdyhouse or house of ill-fame, or house for the resort of prostitutes;
- (k.) is in the habit of frequenting such houses and does not give a satisfactory account of himself or herself; or
- (l.) having no peaceable profession or calling to maintain himself by, for the most part supports himself by gaming

gaming or crime, or by the avails of prostitution. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 8.

Penalty for vagrancy.

208. Every loose, idle or disorderly person or vagrant is liable, on summary conviction before two justices of the peace, to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding six months, or to both. R.S.C., c. 157, s. 8.

TITLE V.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON AND REPUTA-TION.

PART XVI.

DUTIES TENDING TO THE PRESERVATION OF LIFE.

Duty to provide the necessaries of life.

209. Every one who has charge of any other person unable, by reason either of detention, age, sickness, insanity or any other cause, to withdraw himself from such charge, and unable to provide himself with the necessaries of life, is, whether such charge is undertaken by him under any contract, or is imposed upon him by law, or by reason of his unlawful act, under a legal duty to supply that person with the necessaries of life, and is criminally responsible for omitting, without lawful excuse, to perform such duty if the death of such person is caused, or if his life is endangered, or his health has been or is likely to be permanently injured, by such omission.

Duty of head of family to saries.

- 210. Every one who as parent, guardian or head of a family or ramily to provide necessaries for any child under the age of sixteen years is criminally responsible for omitting, without lawful excuse, to do so while such child remains a member of his or her household, whether such child is helpless or not, if the death of such child is caused, or if his life is endangered or his health is or is likely to be permanently injured, by such omission.
 - 2. Every one who is under a legal duty to provide necessaries for his wife, is criminally responsible for omitting, without lawful excuse so to do, if the death of his wife is caused, or if her life is endangered, or her health is or is likely to be permanently injured by such omission.

Duty of mas-

211. Every one who, as master or mistress, has contracted ters to provide to provide necessary food, clothing or lodging for any servant or apprentice under the age of sixteen years is under a legal duty to provide the same, and is criminally responsible for omitting, without lawful excuse, to perform such duty, if