

UNITED CANADA
PROVINCE OF LOWER CANADA
COUNTY OF PONTIAC

BYLAW NO.9

At an adjourned session held in Portage du Fort on Wednesday the 12th day of January, 1859, at the hour of ten o'clock, at which meeting are present His Worship Warden John Poupore, mayor of Chichester, and the following county councillors:

- John F. Coghlan mayor of Waltham
- Patrick F. Fox mayor of Litchfield
- Thomas Harrington mayor of Sheen
- James Shaw mayor of Clarendon
- Robert Shirley mayor of Bristol
- John Beahan mayor of Onslow

The secretary-treasurer being also present.

It was moved by John Coghlan, seconded by Patrick Fox and resolved that a bylaw be passed enacting that any party intending to burn do give twenty four hours notice in the presence of witness to his neighbors of the day and hour on which he intends setting fire to logs, brush, etc and when he does set fire, again to notify his neighbors immediately before so doing, and shall use every precaution in his power to prevent the fire from spreading to the adjoining forest, crops, etc and that any party neglecting to give such notice be responsible for all and any damages arising from such fire, and further that any person whatever who shall set fire to any stumps or other inflammable materials or on any waste lands shall upon complaint and proof of the cause be liable to a penalty of ten pounds or one month imprisonment, excepting always when such stumps, etc, shall be burned by the road authority on the execution of the necessary road and statute labour.

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