

fifth Section of the said hereinbefore in part recited Act, in consequence of some other person, subsequent to his, her or their discovery or invention, having also made the same discovery or invention, or of the same having so subsequently become known or used, then and in such case it shall be sufficient for such applicant or applicants, in lieu of that part of the oath hereinbefore mentioned, required to be taken by the said fifth Section of the said hereinbefore in part recited Act, to swear or affirm in the mode pointed out by the said Section, in addition to the said preceding part of the said oath mentioned in the said Section, that such invention or discovery was not, to the best of his, her or their knowledge or belief, known or used in this Province or in any other Country before the same was so made or invented by such applicant.

same invention may have been made by another person after the applicant.

CAP. XXXV.

An Act for the amendment of the Charter of the City of Saint John.

Passed 11th April 1843.

‘WHEREAS sundry improvements are requisite in the Charter of the City of Saint John, and the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City, and a large and respectable number of the Inhabitants thereof, being Freemen and Freeholders, have, by their Petition prayed that such improvements may take place in the said Charter, and that the same may accordingly be amended by Law;

Preamble.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That no person shall hereafter be elected to the office of Alderman of the City of Saint John, under the Charter of the said City, who shall not be a Freeman of the said City, before and at the time of his election, and be possessed as owner thereof of Real or Personal Property, or both together, within the said City over and above all Mortgages, Judgments, Bonds to the Queen or Her Successors, and all other incumbrances whatsoever to the extent of at least two hundred and fifty pounds, and no person shall be elected to the office of Assistant Alderman of the said City, under the said Charter who shall not be a Freeman of the said City, before and at the time of such election, and in like manner be possessed as owner thereof of Real or Personal property, or both, within the said City, over and above all just debts and incumbrances whatsoever, to the extent of at least one hundred and fifty pounds.

Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen to be freemen of the City, and possessed of a defined amount of property.

II. And be it enacted, That no Freeman or other person qualified by the said Charter to vote for Members of the Common Council of the said City, shall hereafter exercise such right to vote, until such person shall have previously paid all rates or assessments imposed on and required of such person by Law, prior to the period of such election taking place.

No elector to be allowed to vote until he has paid up all his rates.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor of the said City, and he is hereby authorized to licence persons being natural born British Subjects, or such as shall become naturalized or be made denizens, to use any art, trade, mystery or occupation, or carry on any business in merchandize or otherwise, within the said City, on paying yearly such sum not exceeding five pounds, nor less than five shillings, to be fixed and determined by an ordinance of the Corporation, for the use of the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the said City of Saint John, together with the fees of office, and be subject also to the payment of all other charges, taxes, rates or assessments as any Freeman or other Inhabitant of the said City, may by Law be liable to or chargeable with.

Annual Licences may be granted to British subjects to trade, &c., within the City.

IV. And be it enacted, That Aliens, the subjects of any other Country at peace with Great Britain, may be licenced by the Mayor of the said City, to use any art, trade, mystery or occupation, or to carry on any business in merchandize or otherwise, within the said City, on paying annually for the use of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City, a sum not exceeding twenty five pounds, nor less than five pounds, together with fees of office to be regulated by ordinance of the Corporation, and be subject also to the payment of all other charges, taxes, rates or assessments as any freeman or other inhabitant of the said City, may by Law be liable to or chargeable with.

Annual Licences may be granted to Aliens to trade, &c., within the City.

V. And be it enacted, That the Common Council of the said City shall have power and authority in the event of any one of the Aldermen or Assistant Aldermen of the said City, being found guilty of grossly improper conduct at any of the meetings of the said Common Council, (two thirds of the Members of the said Council concurring therein,) to expel such Member from the said Common

Any Alderman or Assistant Alderman may be expelled from the Common Council for improper conduct.