

of Hosemen and of  
Axe and Hook and  
Ladder Men.

organize one sufficient Company of Hosemen, not exceeding ten in number, one Company of Axemen and Hook and Ladder Men, not exceeding twenty in number, and that the said Firewards have power to appoint some distinguishing badges to be worn or carried at Fires by the members of said Companies.

No fire to be raised  
within two hun-  
dred feet of any  
fence, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That no person or persons shall wilfully set on fire, or cause or permit to be set on fire, any combustible materials within two hundred feet of any fence, gate or building in the said Parish, and that every person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty shillings, in the discretion of the Justice before whom the offender or offenders may be convicted for each and every offence, to be recovered and applied as other fines mentioned in the said recited Acts.

Penalty.

Power given to  
order places where  
light combustible  
materials are kept  
to be so closed as to  
be safe from sparks  
from adjoining  
chimnies.

V. And be it enacted, That the Firewards for the time being, or any two of them, shall have full power to direct and order that every loft, barn or building within the limits of the said Parish, in which hay, straw or other light combustible material is kept and being, shall be closed and protected so that such hay, straw or other light combustible material be not exposed to ignition by sparks from the adjoining chimnies; and every owner or holder of such loft, barn or building, who shall not so close and protect the same on such order given and due time allowed therefor, shall be liable to pay a fine not exceeding twenty shillings, in the discretion of the Justice before whom the offender or offenders may be convicted for such neglect or refusal as aforesaid.

Penalty.

Justices to raise  
money by assess-  
ment to keep up the  
efficiency of the Fire  
Department on the  
requisition of the  
Firewards.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, or the major part of them, in their General Sessions, are hereby required to raise by assessments such sum or sums, not exceeding one hundred pounds in any one year, on the said Parish, as the said Firewards may from time to time, by estimate in writing, produced to such Justices in Session, deem to be necessary for the efficient management and support of the Fire Department and Apparatus of the said Parish; such assessment to be made and levied as is directed in the said first recited Act.

Limitation.

VII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of May which will be in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty eight.

#### CAP. LXVIII.

An Act relating to the old Gaol in the County of York, and to provide for the liquidation of the County Debt.

*Passed 14th April 1846.*

Preamble.

**‘ WHEREAS** the Justices of the Peace for the County of York have erected ‘ a new Gaol in the County of York, on a lot of Land purchased for ‘ that purpose, and in consequence thereof the old Gaol and the ground attached ‘ thereto are no longer required for the purpose of a Gaol, and it has been deemed ‘ advisable to authorize the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace for the ‘ County of York to lease the said Gaol, and to appropriate the rent to the pay- ‘ ment of the Debt incurred in the erection of the said Gaol, and other County ‘ purposes, and also to authorize the said Justices to raise a sufficient sum of ‘ money upon Debentures to pay the said County Debt, which Debentures are to be ‘ gradually paid off and discharged by the product of said rent and assessment, ‘ for that purpose made on the County;’

Power given to the  
Justices in General  
Sessions to lease by  
Auction the old  
Gaol and premises.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, that the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of York shall, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to lease the said old Gaol Lot, and the Gaol erected thereon, either in the whole or in such lots or parcels as the said Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace may, at any General Sessions, order and direct, for any term or terms not exceeding twenty one years, for and upon such rents, and with such covenant or covenants for the renewal of such lease or leases as the said Justices in Session may deem for the advantage of the County of York, and may agree upon with the person or persons who may take such lease, and good and valid leases of the said Land, with the Gaol thereon erected, with such covenants therein may be made, by and under the authority of the said General Sessions, sealed with the Seal of the said General Sessions, signed with the proper Hand of the presiding Justice of the said Sessions, and countersigned by the Clerk of the Peace of said County; provided that no lease shall be made or entered into of any part of the said Land or the Building thereon, unless at Public Auction, after thirty days Public Notice thereof, and the upset price or rent at which sale shall have been previously prescribed by the said Justices in General Sessions.