

assessment shall be made, under and by virtue of the authority given for the purposes aforesaid, of a greater sum in any one year than one thousand pounds currency, nor until the whole annual income from whatever source derived, (save and except the monies coming into the hands of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty arising from Acts of Assembly now in force, authorizing assessments for special purposes, together with the indispensable annual charges for Salaries and Contingencies,) shall be first applied towards the payment of such interest on the said Debt.

Act not to affect rights of the Freemen and Inhabitants of Carleton.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to affect any of the existing legal or equitable rights and privileges of the Freemen and Inhabitants of Carleton, on the Western side of the said City, which they now possess or are entitled to enjoy under and by virtue of the Charter of the said City.

Corporation not to contract further debts until the said Debt be paid off.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John to contract or become bound for any further Debt or Debts, or borrow any further sum or sums of money while the said Debt of one hundred and fifteen thousand three hundred and sixty six pounds, or any part thereof, remains unpaid, or the loan of money which may be obtained by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, for the purpose of paying the same or any part thereof shall remain unsatisfied; and any contract, obligation or other instruments whatever, whereby any new Debt may be incurred by the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, shall be and is hereby declared to be utterly null and void, except for the purposes contemplated by this Act.

CAP. XXX.

An Act relating to County and Parish Officers in the City and County of Saint John.

Passed 11th April 1846.

County and Parish Officers in receipt of public monies to give security.

I. **B**E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That all Officers appointed, or who may be hereafter appointed for the City and County of Saint John, by the Justices of the Peace for the said City and County of Saint John, at any General Sessions of the Peace to be held for the said City and County, or any Parish in said City and County, under the authority of any Act of Assembly made or to be made for that purpose, whose duty shall be to collect or receive and pay over any public monies, shall be required by the said Justices at the time of receiving such appointment, to enter into Bonds with such good and sufficient Sureties, and in such sums of money as the said Justices may think proper to order; the same to be taken in the name of the Queen's Majesty, and to be conditioned for the payment of all monies which shall come into their hands, on the order of the said Justices, or otherwise, by virtue of their respective offices, and for the due and faithful performance of the duties of their office, and whenever found necessary, the said Bonds may be directed by the said Justices to be sued in the name of the Queen for the protection and benefit of the said City and County.

Accounts to be rendered and payments made when ordered.

II. And be it enacted, That every such County or Parish Officer shall, when required by the said Justices at any General Sessions of the Peace, or at any Special Sessions for that purpose to be appointed at such General Sessions, or to be called by any two of the said Justices, render full, true and detailed accounts of all public monies received and paid by him under the orders of the said Justices, or by the authority of any Act of Assembly, or otherwise, by virtue of their respective offices, and shall, in like manner whenever ordered, pay over any sum or sums of money which by such accounts shall appear to be due by such officer or to have come to his hands as such officer as aforesaid, to such person or persons as the said Justices in such order may appoint to receive the same; and in case of disobedience of any such order, or the same shall not be attended to within ten days after the service of such order, it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices to cause such disobedient or refractory officer, by warrant under the hand of the Chairman of the Sessions, and certified by the Clerk, to be brought before the said Justices, and if such disobedience or improper conduct be persisted in, then, or at any time afterwards, to commit such officer to the Common Gaol, without bail or mainprize, until such order or orders of the said Justices shall be complied with; and such proceedings of the said Justices against the said officer shall not in any case relieve the surety from liability on the Bonds so entered into by them as aforesaid.

Disobedience made punishable by imprisonment.

Proceedings not to relieve the sureties.