

salaries of County Officers or defray the cost of any public work which they may direct to be done.

32. At least ten days before the meeting of the Provincial Legislature, the Warden shall transmit an abstract of the receipts and expenditures of the County during the preceding year to the Lieutenant Governor, who shall lay the same before both branches of the Legislature.

33. No Councillor shall in any case receive or be entitled to any salary or emolument for his services as such.

34. Nothing in this Act contained shall extend to any toll bridge or road belonging to any company or individuals, nor to any work under the control of the Imperial or Provincial Government, or of the Military authorities.

35. All fines and penalties imposed by this Act or by any bye law of the County Council, and for the recovery of which no other provision is made, may be recovered with costs by summary proceeding before any Justice of the Peace for the County, and may be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender, by Warrant under the hand and seal of such Justice; all fines and penalties when recovered shall be paid and applied as this Act or the bye laws shall direct; no informer or other person who is to receive for his own benefit any part of a fine or penalty, shall be a competent witness for the prosecution, unless he first relinquishes in writing all claim to his proportion of the fine or penalty; in such case the whole penalty shall be applied as this Act or the bye law may direct, for that portion which was not to go to the informer or prosecutor; any inhabitant of the County or member of the County Council shall be a competent witness in any prosecution for the recovery of a fine or penalty, or in any suit for money payable to the Secretary Treasurer, or due to the County Council, or in any suit wherein the County Council is a party, or has an interest in the result, by reason of such person being an inhabitant of the County or a member of the County Council, or an officer or person in its employ; provided that such person shall have no other interest in the prosecution or suit which would render him an incompetent witness.

36. All rates and tolls imposed by any County Council shall be assessed, collected, paid, levied and recovered in manner prescribed by the bye law imposing the same, and by the assessors and collectors of rates in the respective Parishes, provided such bye law is not repugnant to the law of this Province or to this Act.

37. All rates for public purposes not within the scope and authority of this Act to which the inhabitants of any County are now liable, or may hereafter be liable to pay by a law of the Province, shall continue to be assessed upon and paid by the inhabitants of any incorporated County, until otherwise directed by Act of the Legislature.

38. The expenses of levying, collecting and managing all rates and taxes shall form the first charge on the County funds; the expenses incurred by the Sheriff, Coroner, and Gaoler, in the care and safe keeping of prisoners, and in all other matters connected with the administration of Justice, shall form the second charge on these funds; all debts and legal liabilities due and created before the incorporation of the County, shall form the third charge; and all other sums payable out of the County funds for any purpose whatever not within the scope of the power of the County Council, shall form the fourth charge; and all sums and expenses not included in the above charges, which shall be directed by bye law to be paid out of the County funds, in the order in which they are directed to be paid, shall form the fifth charge on such funds.

39. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to repeal or effect the provisions of any law or enactment now in force, except so far only as such law or enactment shall be inconsistent with or repugnant to the provisions of this Act or the attainment of the objects and purposes thereof.

40. The County Council at their first semi-annual meeting in each year shall appoint one person to be County Auditor; no person shall be appointed Auditor who is a member of the County Council, or one of its officers, or who shall directly or indirectly, by himself or partner, have any share or interest in any contract with the County Council or any employment under them; no County Auditor shall act as such unless he shall have previously made and subscribed the oath No. 4, in the Schedule annexed, before the Warden of the County or any two of the Councillors, who are hereby authorized and empowered to administer such oath.

41. It shall be the duty of the County Auditor to examine and audit the Accounts of the Secretary Treasurer, and all other accounts which may be referred to him by the County Council, and to report thereon at the next semi-annual meeting after such reference; the County Auditor shall have authority to call for

ing to pay salaries and costs of public works.

Wardens to transmit abstracts of receipts and expenditures for the information of the Legislature.

No Councillor to receive emolument as such.

Act not to extend to private toll bridges or roads, &c

Recovery of fines and penalties not otherwise provided for.

Rates and tolls to be assessed agreeably to the bye law imposing the same not being repugnant to any Provincial Act.

Rates not within the scope of this Act to be assessed and paid until altered by the Legislature.

Preferential order of charges on the County funds. Management of rates and taxes. Safe keeping of prisoners and administration of justice.

Debts and liabilities incurred before incorporation.

Other sums not within the scope of the power of the Council. Charges directed by bye laws.

This Act not to affect any law now in force except so far as inconsistent.

County Councils at the first semi-annual meeting to appoint a County Auditor, who shall not act until sworn.

Duty and authority of the County Auditor.