

same on the order of the Common Council, shall keep and render separate accounts of the same.

2. All persons who have been members of the said Fire Department, and shall have been relieved from their service therein by reason of their long services, shall, in addition to the privileges now allowed them by law, be also relieved from serving on any Jury in the City and County of Saint John.

CAP. VII.

An Act relating to Elections of City Officers in the City of Saint John.

Section.

1. Residence not a necessary qualification.
2. Constables to assist the Commissioners and be paid.
3. Voter to state the capacity he votes under.
4. Oath of voters for Mayor.

Section.

5. Tax receipt to be produced, but not delivered as in 16 V. c. 37.
6. Posting of names of candidates for office of Mayor, Alderman, or Constable.

Passed 20th March 1854.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows :—

1. Any person being otherwise duly qualified may be elected Alderman or Councillor for any Ward in the said City, notwithstanding such person may not be a resident in the Ward for which he may be so elected.

2. The Constables of the respective Wards are hereby required to attend at the time and place appointed for holding any election in the respective Wards, and shall remain during the continuance of the election, and shall obey the orders of and assist the Commissioner in preserving order, and shall be paid therefor at and after the rate of seven shillings and six pence per diem, and in case such Constable shall refuse, neglect or omit to attend or remain as aforesaid, or to obey the orders of the Commissioner, he shall pay a fine of forty shillings.

3. Every person presenting himself to vote at any election shall state whether he claims to vote as a freeman or freeholder, and if as freeman, the Ward in which he resides, and if as freeholder, the Ward in which his freehold is situate, and these particulars shall be entered in the poll book.

4. At any election for Mayor, the oath to be taken by voters shall be as follows, instead of the oath prescribed by the twenty third Section of an Act made and passed in the sixteenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Saint John, and certain Acts of Assembly relating to the local government of the said City*, namely,—“ I do swear that I am a British subject, that I am “ qualified by law to vote in this Ward at this Election for Mayor, “ and have not before voted at the Election this day for Mayor.— “ So help me God.”

5. So much of the sixteenth Section of the said last recited Act as requires the tax receipt therein mentioned to be delivered to the Commissioner, is hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof, every freeman before he shall be allowed to deliver his ballot, shall produce and shew to the Commissioner a tax receipt to the effect described in the said Section, which may be signed by the Collector of Taxes or his Deputy; and so much of the twentieth Section of the said Act as requires the tax receipts to be sealed up, is also repealed.

6. So much of the eleventh Section of the said Act as requires the names of all the candidates nominated for each office to be posted up in each Ward, is repealed; and in lieu thereof, the names of all candidates for the office of Mayor, at

the election for Mayor, and the names of all candidates in each Ward respectively for the office of Alderman, Councillor, or Constable, shall be posted up at the polling places in each Ward at the time of the election for each Ward of the said officers.

CAP. VIII.

An Act to relieve the Engine Men of the Chatham Fire Engines, in the County of Northumberland, from Parish Offices, and to afford immunities and exemptions to them in certain cases.

Section.

1. Firemen to be exempt from certain public services.

Passed 20th March 1854.

‘ WHEREAS the Firemen attached to the Chatham Fire Engines, in the County of Northumberland, have to perform ‘ onerous and responsible duties as such, and are liable to ‘ much expense and loss of time in the performance of such ‘ duties, and it is therefore deemed expedient to relieve them ‘ from other duties and liabilities as inhabitants of the Town ‘ of Chatham, and of the County of Northumberland;’

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows :—

1. That from and after the passing of this Act, each and every of the Firemen attached to any of the Fire Engines of the Town of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, and who have been or may hereafter be regularly appointed by the Firewards of the said Town, as by law directed, and who shall accept and perform the duties, so long as he or they may continue so attached, and perform such duties, shall be exempt and relieved from all and every Parish office in the said Parish of Chatham, and also from serving upon any Jury in any of the Courts of Law in said County, and also from the performance of Statute Labour in said Parish of Chatham, provided that nothing in this Act shall be construed to relieve any of such Engine Men who have been appointed to any Parish office, from serving in the same during the current year.

CAP. IX.

An Act to authorize the erection of a Marine Hospital at the Port of Bathurst.

Section.

1. Hospital may be erected from surplus sick and disabled Seamen's Fund.

Passed 20th March 1854.

‘ WHEREAS from the increase of Shipping resorting to the ‘ Port of Bathurst, it has been found necessary to erect an ‘ Hospital for the reception of sick Seamen, at or near the ‘ Town of Bathurst;’

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly—

That the surplus money (if any) raised in the Port of Bathurst, under and by virtue of any Act of the General Assembly now in force, or which hereafter may be in force, relating to the relief and support of sick and disabled Seamen, not being paupers, belonging to this Province, shall after the payment of any debts incurred for the medical attendance and support of sick and disabled Seamen at that Port, be applied to defray the expense of erecting a suitable building as a Hospital for such Seamen, until the expense of erecting such building be defrayed.