

shall have power to appoint one or more Fence Viewers, who shall have the same power, authority, and rights, and be subject to the same responsibilities and duties within the said City, as any Fence Viewer elected or appointed for any Parish or District under the said Chapter now has or is subject to within such Parish or District.

CAP. XII.

An Act to provide for an Alms House and Work House for the Parish and Town of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton.

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Passed 8th March 1860.

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

1. Instead of the Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Woodstock and the incorporated Town of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, there shall be hereafter elected and appointed three Commissioners in manner following, namely :— One Commissioner shall be appointed annually on or before the last Tuesday in December in each year by the Town Council of the Town of Woodstock, and the other two Commissioners shall be elected or appointed by the rate-payers of the Parish of Woodstock at the same time and in the same manner as other Parish Officers are elected or appointed under the law of this Province : At the election of Parish Officers in the said Parish in December next, the said two Commissioners shall be elected ; one of whom, to be decided by lot by the Chairman of the said Election, in the presence of the Electors, shall go out of office at the end of one year : At each succeeding annual Parish Election there shall be elected one Commissioner to replace the Commissioner whose term shall then expire : The term of office of the said two Commissioners to be elected at the Parish Elections as aforesaid, shall be (except in the instance already named) for two years, or until successors are elected or appointed : The present Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Woodstock shall be the Commissioners under this Act until their successors are appointed : The Board of Supervision shall have power to remove any of the Commissioners at any time for neglect or dereliction of duty, and to fill such vacancy until the next appointment or election under this Act ; and also any vacancy occasioned by the death or removal of any Commissioner from the said Parish and Town of Woodstock : The said Commissioners shall have all the powers and authority now belonging to the Overseers of the Poor for the said Parish and Town, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty, and shall be subject to the same penalties to which Overseers of the Poor are subject.

2. The said Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase a Farm and Lands, and to contract and agree for the erection of suitable buildings for an Alms House and Work House in said Parish, and also to purchase stock and materials for said Farm, and to agree upon a certain sum of money for defraying the expenses thereof, which sum of

money shall be raised by an assessment upon the inhabitants of the said Town and Parish, and shall be levied and collected in the manner prescribed by law for levying and collecting County rates ; but such assessment shall not exceed one thousand pounds : The title to the said Farm, lands and property shall be vested in the said Commissioners for the benefit of the Town and Parish aforesaid ; and the sole superintendence and management of the said Farm, Lands, Alms House and Work House, with all the stock and materials thereunto belonging, shall be in the said Commissioners, subject to the supervision hereinafter mentioned.

3. It shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners from time to time to provide such materials, stock and other things as they shall judge necessary for the setting to work and employing such poor persons, of what age or sex soever they be, who may apply for relief and shall be capable to work, and shall have power and authority at their discretion to compel such idle and poor people begging or seeking relief as do not betake themselves to some lawful employment, or who do or shall hereafter seek or receive alms of the said Town or Parish, or who may stand in need of relief of the said Town or Parish, to dwell in, inhabit, and work in said Alms House or Work House, and on said Farm, and to do all such work for which they shall think them able and fit.

4. The said Commissioners shall have power to make such rules, orders and regulations for the good government and management of the said Alms House, Work House, and Farm, as they shall deem necessary, and to inflict such correction and punishment by solitary confinement or otherwise from time to time as to them shall seem reasonable, on any pauper or paupers within the said Alms House or Work House, or on the said Farm, who shall be so set to work and shall not conform to such rules, orders and regulations to be made as aforesaid, or shall misbehave in or on the same ; provided that such rules, orders and regulations shall not be of any effect until approved by the Board of Supervision composed of the Town Councillors of the said Town and the Municipal Councillors elected to the County Council from said Parish hereinafter mentioned.

5. The said Commissioners shall on or before the first day of December in each year make up and file with the Mayor of the said Town, a Report of their proceedings, and of the condition of said Alms House, Work House, and Farm, and a detailed Account of their receipts and expenditures for the past year, and also an estimate of the expenditure for the succeeding year ; they shall also lay a copy of said Report, Account and Estimate before the Municipal Council of the said County of Carleton at its semi-annual meeting in January, accompanied by an application to the said Municipal Council, requesting the Council to order a rate upon the said Town and Parish to the amount of said Estimate, with the costs of assessing and collecting added thereto.

6. The Municipal Council upon such application from the Commissioners, shall issue a Warrant of Assessment upon said Town and Parish for the support of the Poor therein, and the maintenance of the said Alms House, Work House, and Farm, for such sum as said Commissioners shall require in said application ; which said sum of money shall be assessed, levied and collected in such manner and form as by the Laws of the Province are or shall be appointed for the assessment, levying and collection of Poor rates ; and such sum when collected shall be paid to the said Commissioners for the use aforesaid and for no other.