

at any General or Special Sessions duly called for that purpose, are hereby authorized and empowered to issue Debentures to an amount not exceeding two thousand six hundred dollars, to be appropriated towards defraying the expense of providing a suitable building for a Town Hall for the Parish of Saint George, in the said County, the same to be located in the Town of Saint George, such Debentures to bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable half yearly by Coupons attached.

2. The said Debentures and Coupons shall be in such form, and for such denomination, and payable in such period, not to exceed six years, as the said Justices in Sessions as aforesaid shall prescribe.

3. The said Justices in Session as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to order, make and levy a rate of assessment upon the inhabitants of the said Parish liable to be assessed for any rate of assessment, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars in any one year, for the purpose of the payment of the principal sum of the said Debentures, and interest thereon, besides the charges of assessing and collecting, until the whole amount of the said Debentures issued under and by virtue of this Act, and the interest thereon, shall be paid off; such sums to be assessed, levied and collected in the same manner as Parish rates are assessed, levied and collected by virtue of any law now in force, or which may hereafter be in force, for that purpose, and when collected shall be paid to the County Treasurer for the purposes of this Act, and for no other purposes.

4. The moneys so assessed and collected as aforesaid shall, from time to time be, by the said Justices in Session as aforesaid, applied in payment of the said Debentures, and the interest due thereon.

5. The said Justices in Sessions as aforesaid, shall appoint three persons to be Commissioners for the purpose of agreeing for and providing such building as aforesaid, and the site therefor, which when obtained shall be vested in the said Justices of the Peace in trust for the said Parish; to receive the said Debentures when issued; to sell and dispose of the same at the highest price that can be obtained therefor, and expend the same in paying for such building and site; and the said Justices of the Peace shall, from time to time as occasion may require, appoint three or more suitable persons, residents in Saint George, who shall have the superintendence, management and control of the said Town Hall, and all matters relating thereto.

6. This Act shall not be in force until it is accepted and approved by the rate-payers liable to be assessed thereunder, in manner following, that is to say:—Any two Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, resident in the said Parish of Saint George, may, within six months from the passage of this Act, by public notice printed in a newspaper published in the Town of Saint Andrews, and also by printed notices to be posted up in twelve or more public places in the thickly settled parts of the said Parish, make known to the public that they call together and will hold a public meeting of all persons liable to be assessed under the provisions of this Act, at such time and place to be in such notice specified, and which shall not be less than ten days from the time of posting up and publishing such notices; and on the day and hour, (which shall not be later in the day than twelve o'clock), and at the place in such notice named, the said two Justices shall hold such meeting, and

preside at the same, and not before four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day shall close the said meeting; they shall put the question to each person as he presents himself to vote, and whose name is entered on the assessment list for the said Parish for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, whether this Act shall be adopted or not, and shall truly enter his answer, "Yea" or "Nay," in a list to be by the said Justices kept of those who do present themselves and vote at the said meeting. The President or Manager of any Corporation shall be entitled to vote in respect of the property of such Corporation liable to be assessed under this Act, and any party or person entitled to vote under this Act, may do so by proxy, upon such proxy producing and filing with the said two Justices, a written authority signed by the party for whom he votes, such authority to be proved by oath or otherwise to the satisfaction of the said Justices, which oath the said Justices, or any one of them, are hereby authorized to administer; if it shall appear to the said two Justices that the parties who, at such meeting, have voted "Yea," represent two thirds, or more than two thirds of the valuation of the property and incomes of the persons liable to assessment under this Act, to be estimated by the said assessment list, then the said two Justices shall forthwith certify the same to the Governor in Council, and the Governor in Council shall thereupon announce the same by Proclamation in the *Royal Gazette* of this Province, whereupon this Act shall *ipso facto* be in full operation, force and effect; but if, on counting the votes aforesaid, and referring to the said list, the said Justices shall find that the persons who shall vote in favor of the adoption of this Act, do not represent two thirds of the property and incomes of the persons liable to be assessed under this Act, they, the said Justices, shall also certify the same to the Governor in Council, whereupon this Act, and every thing therein contained, shall be and become null and void, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding; and in case of any dispute as to the qualification of any person whose name appears on the said list, the said Justices shall and may decide the same on the oath of the parties, or other evidence, which oath the said Justices, or any one of them, are hereby authorized to administer, and the decision of the said two Justices thereupon, shall be final and conclusive for the purposes of this Act.

CAP. XIV.

An Act to legalize the election of Parish Officers for the Parish of Inkerman, in the County of Gloucester, for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

Sec.
1 Election confirmed.

Sec.
2 Clerk Peace to furnish Town Clerk with List.

Passed 28th March 1870.

WHEREAS it appears that the Court of Sessions of the County of Gloucester have not confirmed the election of Parish Officers for the Parish of Inkerman, in the said County, holden on the twenty eighth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine;—

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

1. That the election of Parish Officers for the Parish of Inkerman, in the County of Gloucester, for and during the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, held on the