

Special or General Sessions, and levied and collected in the same manner in all respects as Parish and County rates are now or may be hereafter assessed, levied and collected, and paid for the purposes of this Act as hereinafter provided.

5. All Debentures issued under the provisions of this Act shall be signed by the Chairman of the General or Special Sessions which order the issue thereof, and shall be countersigned by the Clerk of the Peace, and shall have the seal of the General Sessions of the said County affixed thereto; the number, date, amount, and time of payment of all Debentures issued under the authority of this Act, shall be recorded in the Record Books of the Registrar of Deeds and Wills for the said County.

6. This Act shall not be in force until accepted and approved by the rate-payers liable to be assessed thereunder in manner following, that is to say:—The Assessors of Rates for the Parish of Saint Andrews are hereby authorized and required, on being requested in writing so to do by any two Justices of the Peace for the said County, resident in the said district, to make, in like manner as valuations of property and incomes are now made by Assessors of rates, a list of all persons, and a valuation of all the properties liable to assessment under the provisions of this Act, and deliver such list to the said Justices, or either of them, within one month after such request; and such Justices shall, within two years from the passing of this Act, by public notice printed in a newspaper published in the Town of Saint Andrews, and also by printed handbills to be by them posted up in six or more public places in the said district, 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 a time and place in such notice specified, and which shall not be less than six days from the time of posting up and publishing such notices; and on a day and hour, (which shall be not later in the day than twelve o'clock, noon), and at the place in such notice named, the said two Justices shall hold such meeting, and shall 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 said list so furnished by the Assessors as aforesaid, whether this Act shall be adopted or not, and shall truly enter "yea" or "nay" opposite his name in the said list, and shall also put the question to every person voting "yea" whether the said Debentures to be issued under this Act shall be given as a bonus to the said Hotel Company, or the proceeds of the sale thereof shall be expended in the purchase of stock in the said Hotel Company, and shall truly enter his answer on the said list: The President or manager of any Corporation liable to be assessed under this Act, shall be entitled to vote in respect of the property of such Corporation liable to be assessed under this Act: If it shall appear to the said two Justices that the parties who at such meeting have voted "yea," represent two thirds of the valuation of the property of the rate-payers present in person or by proxy, of the district liable to be rated and assessed under this Act, to be estimated by the said list so furnished by the Assessors as hereinbefore provided, then the said Justices shall forthwith certify the same to the Governor in Council, and shall also certify at the same time whether a majority of such rate-payers as shall vote "yea" have voted in favor of giving the said Debentures as a bonus as aforesaid, or taking stock as aforesaid; and the Governor in Council shall thereupon announce the same by proclamation in the Royal Gazette of this Province, whereupon this Act shall be *ipso facto* in full operation, force, and effect: 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 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; and any party 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 on oath or otherwise to the satisfaction of the said Justices, which oath either of the said Justices is authorized to administer: Executors, administrators or guardians shall be entitled to vote by proxy, in respect of the estate in the said district they respectively represent, and upon which they have been assessed, provided such proxy be signed by such executors, administrators or guardians, or a majority of them; but if on counting the votes aforesaid, and referring to the said list, the said Justices shall find that the persons who shall vote at such meeting in favor of the adoption of this Act, do not represent two thirds of the property of the rate-payers of the said district who may vote at the said meeting, either in person or by proxy, the said two Justices shall also certify the same to the Governor in Council, whereupon this Act and everything therein contained shall be and become utterly null and void, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

7. Should the majority of those who vote, as mentioned in the sixth Section of this Act, vote to take stock in the said Hotel Company, then the said Justices of the Peace for the said County, at any General or Special Sessions, shall cause the said Debentures to be sold from time to time, for the purpose of providing money wherewith to pay the calls upon the stock in the said Company, as they are from time to time made by the Directors of the said Company; provided always, that the said Justices of the Peace shall not take stock in the said Company beyond the amount that shall be realized from the sale of the said Debentures, after paying the expenses attending the issue and sale thereof.

8. Should the said majority decide as in the sixth Section mentioned, to give the said Debentures to the said Hotel Company as a bonus, then the said Justices of the Peace shall from time to time, as the erection of their Hotel progresses, deliver to the said Hotel Company so many of the said Debentures as the said Justices shall deem advisable; and the said Hotel Company shall bear the expense of the issue of the said Debentures.

9. Should stock be taken in the said Hotel Company, as in the seventh Section of this Act mentioned, the said Justices of the Peace shall and may, at the first General Sessions in each year, appoint one of the rate-payers on property in the said district to be a Director in the said Hotel Company, to represent the stock so taken, who shall be one of the five Directors in the said Hotel Company, and is hereby invested with the same powers, authorities and privileges as any other Director in the said Hotel Company.

10. All moneys collected under the provisions of this Act shall be paid to the County Treasurer, for the purpose of paying the said Debentures, and the interest thereon; and the said County Treasurer shall pay the amount of such coupons to the holders thereof, upon presentation thereof, out of the funds so paid to him; and any surplus that may each year be in his hands shall be applied by the said Justices in the redemption and payment of the said Debentures.

#### CAP. LX.

An Act in amendment of the Act to divide the Parish of Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, and to erect a separate District for Ecclesiastical purposes.

Passed 17th May 1871.

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

That all male persons of the age of twenty one years or upwards, residing in said Parish or any adjoining Parish, being a pewholder, or who shall have subscribed and paid the preceding year, the sum of four dollars or more in aid of the funds of the said Mission, shall be entitled to vote in the choice of, and shall also be qualified to be chosen and elected Church Wardens and Vestrymen; provided that no person shall be so entitled or eligible unless he shall, before the day of election, have actually paid his subscription for the preceding year; provided also, that no person shall be eligible to be elected said Church Wardens and Vestrymen, unless