

113. Whenever any compensation or reward or sum of money shall be required to be paid to any officer or person out of the County funds, by virtue of any law, the same shall be chargeable upon the Contingent fund, unless otherwise directed.

114. Whenever Special Constables may have been appointed, the Council may allow to each such Constable such reasonable sum for his services as the Council may approve of, and the Council may in their discretion make the same chargeable upon the Contingent fund of the County, or may order the same to be assessed only upon the Parish within which the services were performed.

115. The Council may offer and pay any reward they deem proper to promote the due execution of the laws, or for the apprehension of any person charged and suspected of felony, and may order the same to be paid out of the Contingent fund.

COUNTY PROPERTY.

116. Whenever it may be necessary from time to time to build, secure or repair a Gaol, Court House, Lock-up House, or other County buildings, the Council may order such assessment for the same from time to time as they think necessary, to be assessed, levied, collected and paid in like manner as prescribed for other County rates.

117. The Council when they think it expedient, may order an assessment, not exceeding twelve hundred dollars, for erecting suitable buildings, with safes of stone or brick, near the Court House, for the safe keeping of the Records of Deeds and Wills and the papers and Records of the Council, the same to be assessed, levied, collected and paid as other County rates.

118. The Council may contract with any person for the erection, securing or repairing of any such public building, and apply the proceeds of any assessments made therefor to the performance of the contract.

119. All buildings erected according to Section one hundred and seventeen of this Act, shall be used for the several Offices of Registrar of Deeds and Wills, and Secretary-Treasurer of the County.

120. All lands heretofore granted, conveyed, or vested in the Justices of any County for public uses, shall vest in the Municipality.

121. The Municipality may hold real property within its limits, and may alienate the same, and enjoy all the powers and privileges necessary for the purpose.

122. The Municipality may receive and hold in trust for the public uses therein specified, any grant of lands, and may execute the trust thereof, which shall be good in law and equity.

123. All lands in any County reserved for the use of Schools, and not already granted by the Crown, are hereby vested in the Municipality of the County where the same are situate, to be by them held the same as if granted, the rents and profits thereof to be applied by them for the support of the Common Schools in the Parish in which such lands lie.

124. The Council may lease by public auction for a term not exceeding twenty one years, any land held by the Municipality, or any part thereof, on such terms as it shall deem most beneficial to the trust.

125. The Municipality may distrain for rents due, or that may hereafter accrue due to it, and shall and may institute and maintain proceedings at law or in equity for the recovery

of such rents, or for the use and occupation of any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, or of any ferries or rights of ferries, or other incorporeal hereditaments to which they are by law entitled, or for the recovery of any such lands, tenements, hereditaments, ferries, rights of ferry, or other incorporeal hereditaments; and the Council may make such general orders from time to time as they may deem expedient regarding the instituting, maintaining, and conducting of proceedings at law or equity, or by distress, for recovering the possession of or damages for trespass upon or rents to accrue due out of any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, or out of any ferries or rights of ferry, or other incorporeal hereditaments, to which such Municipality now or hereafter may be entitled under or by virtue of any grant or letters patent from the Crown, or this or any Act of the General Assembly, or of any deed of bargain and sale, or otherwise howsoever; or relating to the defence of any action or suit at law or equity against such Municipality.

126. In all cases in which, under the provisions of this Act, a right of action or any legal remedy is given to the Municipality of any County in this Province, against any person or persons whomsoever, and in which cases any liability should attach or be supposed to attach against such Municipality, either in law or equity, in favour of any such person or persons, such person or persons may institute proceedings at law or in equity, as the exigency of the case may require, against such Municipality; and service of the first process and of all other papers necessary for carrying on such suit at law or equity according to the practice of the Court in which such proceedings may be instituted, may be made upon the Secretary-Treasurer of the County, and judgment may be entered up or decree made against such Municipality; and it shall be the duty of the Council at the semi-annual meeting next after the signing of such judgment, on memorial of the same filed with the Secretary-Treasurer, to order and direct the payment of such judgment out of the County funds, and the same may be included in any assessment on the County, to be assessed, levied and collected in like manner as other County rates.

COMMENCEMENT OF ACT.

127. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven.

128. The Acts and parts of Acts in Schedule (H) are hereby upon the commencement of this Act repealed, and the Courts of Quarter Sessions abolished.

SCHEDULE.

(A)

Oath to be taken by Chairman of Meeting.

I, A. B., Chairman and Returning Officer at the Election of Councillors for the County of _____, do swear that I have not received and will not receive, by myself or any other person, any gift or reward as a consideration of my returning or effecting the return of any person as a Member of the Council for the County of _____, and that I will to the best of my ability faithfully conduct the present election for the choice of Members of the County Council, and that I will use the best of my endeavours to preserve peace and good order at such election, and to give all persons entitled to vote free access to the Poll.