

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday the Sixth day of February, 1812, and continued by several Prorogations to Thursday the Ninth day of February, 1815, in the Fifty-fifth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Fifth Session of the Tenth General Assembly, convened in the said Province. From Henry H. Cogswell, The Statutes at Large passed in the General Assembly held in His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia: from the Sixth Session of the Eighth General Assembly, to the Fifty-Sixth year of his Majesty's Reign. John Howe and Son, 1816.

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An Act to regulate Markets in the Town of Halifax; and also, to repeal an Act, passed in the thirty-ninth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for repairing, or rebuilding, the Market House, and regulating the several Markets in the Town of Halifax; and also to revive, alter, amend, and bring into one Act, the Act for preventing Fraud by Butchers and Fishmongers, and the Act made in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty's reign, for regulating and establishing a Public Market in the Town of Halifax."

Whereas the building, commonly called the country market house, in the town of Halifax, was erected by commissioners appointed under the above recited act at the expence of the province, upon a certain piece of ground granted in special trust to and for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the said town of Halifax. And whereas, it is intended to relinquish all right which the province has to the said building as a public country market, under and by virtue of the said act, and to the rents, issues and profits now due, or which may hereafter arise from the said building, and also from the fish market and the market slip:

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that the said act, passed in the thirty-ninth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for repairing or rebuilding the Market-House, and regulating the several Markets in the Town of Halifax; and also to revive, alter, amend and bring into one act, the act for preventing fraud by butchers and fishmongers;" and the act, made in the thirty-fourth year of his late Majesty's reign, for regulating and establishing a public market in the town of Halifax; and every matter, clause and thing, therein contained, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, that the justices of the peace for the county of Halifax, resident in the town of Halifax, be, and they are hereby, empowered from time to time, at any General or Special Sessions of the peace for the said county, to make bye-laws, rules and regulations, for renting, repairing and regulating, the said markets and market slip, and to enforce such bye-laws, rules and regulations, by a penalty not exceeding five pounds for each offence.

III. And be it further enacted, that the monies arising from the rents of the said buildings, shall be collected by such person or persons as the said justices in their sessions may from time to time appoint to collect the same, and shall be paid into the hands of the treasurer of the town and county of Halifax, to be applied under their directions, for the repairs of the said buildings, and for the support of such police officer or officers for the said town of Halifax, as may be hereafter appointed.

IV. And be it further enacted, that the keepers of the said markets, who shall from time to time be appointed by the said justices, and also the clerks of the market for the town of Halifax, at the time of their taken upon them such offices, shall be sworn faithfully to discharge the duties of their office, and shall use their utmost endeavours to carry into execution the bye-laws, rules and regulations, made by the said justices, by virtue of this act.

V. And be it further enacted, that all penalties and forfeitures incurred by virtue of this act, shall be recovered, with costs, before any two justices of the peace for the said county; one half of such penalties and forfeitures shall be paid to the prosecutor, and the residue to the treasurer of the county and town of Halifax, to be applied in the same manner as the rents of the market are herein before applied.

VI. And be it further enacted, that the sum of five hundred and fourteen pounds twelve shillings and three pence, paid into the treasury by the late commissioner of the markets, and the sum of one hundred and twenty-two pounds eight shillings and five pence, in the hands of the present commissioner, making in the whole the sum of six hundred and thirty-seven pounds and eight pence, shall be appropriated and applied in aid of the inhabitants of the township of Halifax, towards the erection of a bridewell or house of correction in the said township, and shall be paid into the hands of such person or persons as shall be appointed for that purpose.