

Copies of Rules

V. *And be it further enacted*, That three fair copies of the Regulations to be made under the provisions of this Act, shall, immediately after the same shall have been agreed to, be posted up at the three most public places on said river.

CAP. XXVIII.

An ACT to alter and amend an Act, made and passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within the Province to maintain their Poor.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, *much inconvenience has arisen to the Poor, by persons appealing from the rates assessed against them under and by virtue of the said Act, and withholding the payment thereof until the same shall be examined and determined by the next General Sessions of the Peace for the Counties aforesaid; for remedy whereof:*

Persons refusing or neglecting to pay Poor Rates.

I. *BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly*, That if any person, assessed under and by virtue of the said Act, shall refuse or neglect to pay his said rate or assessment, it shall and may be lawful for the Collector, appointed to receive the said rates or assessments, notwithstanding such appeal as aforesaid, to levy for the same by warrant of distress, by any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County where such person shall reside.

Persons appealing against Poor Rates.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That if the person or persons, so appealing to the next General Sessions of the Peace for the said County, shall make it appear to the Justices thereof, that he or they have been assessed or taxed more than his or their just share or proportion of the said rate, that then, and in such case, it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices to cause such appellant or appellants to be relieved and re-imburied the excess of such rate by order to the Overseers of the Poor for the Township to which such appellant or appellants shall belong, and who are hereby directed to refund the same.

CAP. XXIX.

An ACT in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the fifty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, *by the first clause of the said Act, the Supreme Court and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, are authorised to proceed in a Summary Way by Witnesses, in all causes brought before them, the Sum total whereof shall not exceed twenty pounds. And whereas, much inconvenience has arisen from the practice of prosecuting such suits in other Counties and Districts than those wherein the parties reside; for remedy whereof:—*

I.

I. *Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That, from and after the publication of this Act, no such Summary Suit or Action shall be commenced or prosecuted within any County or District of this Province wherein some or one of the parties, plaintiff or defendant, to such Suit, shall not be actually resident at the time of the commencement thereof; and if any such suit shall be prosecuted, contrary to the provisions of this Act, the party plaintiff, upon the trial thereof, and proof made, that at the time of the issuing of the original Writ, no one of the parties was resident within the County or District in which such trial is had, he shall become non-suit, and Judgment shall be given for the party defendant to recover his Costs in the said cause.*

Suits must take place in the Counties or Districts in which the parties reside.

II. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be, and continue, in force, until the eighteenth day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and from thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.*

Continuation.

CAP. XXX.

An ACT to regulate the Sale of Goods at Public Auction or Outcry.

B*Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That all Goods, Chattels, Wares, Merchandise, and Effects whatsoever, which shall or may hereafter be sold at Public Auction, Vendue or Outcry, within this Province, by any Vendue-Master, or Vendue-Masters, Auctioneer or Auctioneers, or by any other person or persons whatsoever, shall be, and are hereby, made subject to a duty of two pounds ten shillings for every hundred pounds of the value or price at which the same shall be sold as aforesaid, and to the same rate for every greater or lesser sum—to be paid by the person or persons who shall sell the same as aforesaid. Provided always, That all Goods belonging to the Crown, or seized by any Public Officer or Officers, for or on account of any forfeiture or forfeitures, penalty or penalties, Horses, Cattle, Lands, Ships and Vessels, Goods and Effects of deceased Persons, Goods distrained for Rent, or taken in Execution, Effects of Insolvent Debtors, Household Furniture not imported into this Province for sale, Goods damaged at sea, and sold on account of the owners and insurers within twenty-one days after the same shall be landed, and Salt, shall not be subject to, and are hereby declared free from, the duty before mentioned.*

Duty on Goods sold at Auction

Articles exempted from Duty.

II. *And be it further enacted, That no Vendue-Master or Masters, Auctioneer or Auctioneers, or other person or persons whatever, shall sell or dispose of any Goods, Chattels, Wares, Merchandise, or Effects whatsoever, at Public Vendue, Auction or Outcry, without previously having obtained a license for that purpose from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, and having given security by bond to our Sovereign Lord the King, his heirs and successors, in the sum of four hundred pounds, with two sufficient sureties, each in the sum of two hundred pounds, conditioned for the payment of the Duties herein before mentioned to the Treasurer of the Province for the time being, and in all things well and truly to comply with the provisions of this Act; which bond shall be filed with the Secretary of the Province.*

Auctioneers must obtain a Licence—give security.