convened, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such rate and assessment of any sum not exceeding two hundred pounds, as they in their discretion may think necessary, for paying off the Debts due from the said County; the same to be assessed, levied, and paid, agreeably to and under and by virtue of any Act or Acts which are now or hereafter may be of force in this Province, for assessing, levying and collecting the rates for Public charges.

CAP. LXI.

An Act to establish the Road leading from the City of Saint John to Quaco, in the Parish of Saint Martin's, in the County of Saint John, as one of the Great Roads.

Passed 27th March 1845.

E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assem-Road from Saint John to Vaughan's bly, That the Road leading from the Forks of the Road on the Great Creek, Quaco, via Marsh, near Saint John, to Frog Pond, thence to Loch Lomond, thence to the Loch Lomond, head of said Lake, and thence to Vaughan's Creek in Quaco, be and the same established as a Great Road. is hereby established one of the Great Roads in this Province.

CAP. LXII.

An Act relating to the privilege of solemnizing Marriage.

Passed 27th March 1845.

6 THEREAS in and by the first section of an Act made and passed in the Preamble. ' fourth year of the Reign of His Majesty King William the Fourth, 4 W. 4, c. 46. ' intituled An Act to extend the privilege of solemnizing Murriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor is authorized and empowered to grant, under certain ' restrictions in the said Act contained, to all Ministers and Teachers of any deno-

' mination of Christians not engaged in any secular calling, a Licence authorizing ' such Minister or Teacher to solemnize Marriage: And whereas it is consi-

dered expedient to abolish any fees on or for granting any such Licence;

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and No fee to be charged to any Minister Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, no fee whatever shall be for the Lieunee to charged to any Minister or Teacher on the granting or issuing a Licence to such issued under 4 W. Minister or Teacher to solemnize Marriage under the authority of the Act to 4, c, 46. extend the privilege of solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

CAP. LXIII.

An Act in addition to an Act, intituled An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John, and to continue a certain Act relating to the same matter therein mentioned. Passed 27th March 1845.

THEREAS in and by an Act made and passed in the third year of the Preamble. 'Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the better extin- 3 v. c. 80. ' guishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John, and to continue a

· certain Act relating to the same matter therein mentioned, authority is granted to ' the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, to establish a

' Fire Department for the said City, for the purpose of preventing the spread of ' Fires which may break out therein; and the said Mayor, Aldermen and Com-

' monalty have accordingly established the same at a good deal of expense to the 'City: 'City: And whereas the annual expense of preserving the said Fire Department in an efficient state, and keeping the Engines and Apparatus connected therewith in good repair, can no longer be defrayed from the funds of the Corporation, in consequence of the heavy debt by which their Property is encumbered;'

An annual assessment to defray the expenses of keeping up the Fire Department, authorized.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, in Common Council convened, to make an annual rate or assessment upon the inhabitants of the said City, not exceeding the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds in each and every year, besides the charge for assessing, levying and collecting the same, for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of keeping up the said Fire Department, and preserving the same in an efficient state; the said annual assessments of sums of money to be assessed, levied and collected in such manner and form as by any Act or Acts of Assembly made or to be made, is appointed and directed for assessing, levying and collecting any Public Rates or County charges within the said City of Saint John; and when collected and received, shall from time to time be paid into the hands of the Chamberlain of the said City, to be appropriated by the said Common Council for the uses and purposes aforesaid, and no other uses or purposes whatever.

Assessment not to be made until after the ordering of the Assessment for £300 under 7 V. 43, 8. 2.

II. Provided always, nevertheless, and be it enacted, That no rates or assessment shall at any time be made under the authority of this Act, until the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council, by Warrant under their Common Seal, shall have ordered the annual rate and assessment for the sum of three hundred pounds and no more, as directed and required by the second section of an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act further to facilitate the means of supplying the City of Saint John with Water, and shall have delivered the same to the Assessors to be appointed under the provisions of the said recited Act, anything in this Act contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

CAP. LXIV.

An Act to alter the time of holding the Terms of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Gloucester.

Passed 27th March 1845.

Preamble.

HEREAS the time of holding the Terms of the Inferior Court of Com-'mon Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Gloucester has been found inconvenient; for remedy whereof,'

The January and July Terms to be held on the first Tuesdays in January and July.

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, the Terms of the said Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace heretofore held on the second Tuesday in January and the last Tuesday in July respectively, shall hereafter be holden on the first Tuesday in January and July respectively in each and every year, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

No process to be abated by reason of the alteration.

II. And be it enacted, That no suit, process or proceeding instituted or commenced before the passing of this Act, shall abate or be discontinued by reason of the altering of the time of holding the said Terms respectively; but all actions, processes, suits and proceedings shall be carried on and continued to final judgment in the same manner as if this Act had not been passed, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.