CAP. XIII.

An Act to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt.

Passed 7th March 1846.

That the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, at any General County Debts. Sessions of the Peace hereafter to be holden therein, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such rate or assessment of any sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, as they in their discretion may think necessary for the purpose of paying the County Debt and contingent expenses of the County; the same to be assessed, levied, collected and paid agreeably to any Acts now or hereafter to be in force for the assessing, collecting and levying of the County Rates: provided that so much of the money so assessed and levied as is necessary for the full payment of the present County Debt, shall be applied for that purpose before the application of any part thereof to any other purpose.

CAP. XIV.

An Act relating to Dog Tax in the several Counties of this Province.

Passed 7th March 1846.

I. DE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assem-Justices in Sessions bly, That it shall and may be lawful for Her Majesty's Justices of the authorized to im-pose a tax on all Peace of the several Counties in this Province, annually, at their first Court of Dogs within their Counties; General Sessions of the Peace, respectively, if they or the major part of them shall see fit, to impose a tax on all Dogs in any Parish or Parishes, or District or Districts within their respective Counties, to be thereafter paid by the owner or keeper of such Dog or Dogs; and in order to the due collection of such tax, to make and ordain such rules and regulations for ascertaining such owner or keeper and to make reguby a lettered collar on the neck of such Dog or Dogs or otherwise, and to inflict lations with penaltles. such penalty or penalties for the breach or violation of such rules or regulations as they shall deem meet: provided always, that no greater amount than the sum of five shillings per annum for each Dog shall be imposed on such owner or keeper; and provided also, that no single penalty so to be inflicted for the breach or violation of any such rule or regulation shall exceed the sum of two pounds.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said several Collectors to be Courts of General Sessions of the Peace in their respective Counties, and they are hereby authorized and empowered at their said first Court of General Sessions, annually to appoint a fit person to be collector of the tax so to be imposed under the provisions of this Act, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duty in like manner as any other Town or Parish Officer is required by any Law now in force or to be hereafter enacted, respecting the same, to all the pains and penalties for neglect of duty or refusal to serve as any other Town or Parish Officers are liable to by virtue of the Laws now in force; and it shall be the duty Date. of such collector within the Parish or District for which he shall or may be appointed, on the first day of May in each and every year, and as often thereafter as may be necessary, to proceed to the collection of such tax; and in case the same be not paid to such collector within six days after the same shall have been demanded, that then such collector shall and may and he is hereby required in his own name to sue for and recover the same as is hereinafter directed ; and the [Application of said tax when collected shall be forthwith paid into the hands of the Overseers of Tax.1 the Poor or Commissioners of the Poor House of such Parish, or of the Parish in which

appointed.