Power to reduce the number of Directors to five. I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the Stockholders and Members of the said Corporation shall, and they are hereby authorized and empowered at any general meeting of the said Corporation, to reduce the number of Directors of the said Corporation to any number not less than five, and at any future time to increase the number if they deem it advisable, so that the number of Directors of the said Corporation shall never exceed nine, nor be less than five.

Annual general meeting to be held on the second Tuesday in March.

II. And be it enacted, That the annual general meeting of the said Corporation shall be hereafter holden on the second Tuesday in March in each and every year, instead of the first Tuesday in March as is now required by the Act incorporating the said Company; provided that the returns to be annually made of the state of the affairs and business of the said Company shall be made up to the first Tuesday in March, as is now required by the Act incorporating the said Company.

Limitation,

III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force during the continuence of the Act to which it is an amendment, and no longer.

CAP LI.

An Act to alter and amend the Act intituled An Act for the collection of the Revenue of the Province.

Passed 14th April 1846.

IV.

9 V. c. 2, s. 9, 47, and 55, repealed.

I. E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the ninth, forty seventh and fifty fifth sections of an Act made and passed in the present year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the collection of the Revenue of the Province, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Power given to search Vessels for dutiable goods. II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Treasurer, or any Deputy Treasurer, or Provincial Tide Surveyor, to go on board of any Ship or Vessel in any port or place in any part of this Province, either before or after such Ship or Vessel comes to anchor, and to search all parts of such Ship or Vessel for dutiable Goods, and freely to stay on board such Ship or Vessel so long as such Ship or Vessel shall remain in such port or place, and to search and examine the cargo of such Ship or Vessel; and if the Master or person having charge or command of such Ship or Vessel shall refuse to submit to, or prevent or resist, such search or examination, the said Master or person in charge or command of such Ship or Vessel shall on due conviction, forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds.

Paying Duties or warehousing goods made optional in certain cases. III. And be it enacted, That the importer or consignee of any goods or articles subject to Duty, (except at the ports or districts of Saint John, Saint Andrews, Saint Stephen, Fredericton, and Woodstock, as in the said recited Act mentioned,) under and by virtue of any Act of the General Assembly of this Province, the Duties upon which would amount to twenty five pounds or upwards, may have the option either to secure the Duties on the same in the manner prescribed in and by the said recited Act, or to warehouse such articles, and pay the Duties thereon from time to time as the same may be sold or entered for home consumption, and before delivery thereof; and that the importer or consignee of any goods or articles subject to Duty in like manner at the ports or districts aforesaid of Saint John, Saint Andrews, Saint Stephen, Fredericton, and Woodstock, the Duties upon which would amount to twenty five pounds or upwards, may warehouse such articles, and pay the Duties thereon from time to time as the same may be sold, or entered for home consumption, and before delivery thereof, as in the said recited Act is provided.

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IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force so long as Limitation. the Act to which this is an amendment.

CAP. LII.

9° VICTORIÆ.

An Act to provide for the necessities occasioned by the failure of the Potato Crop during the past year.

Passed 14th April 1846.

6 THEREAS from the failure of the Potato Crop during the past year, it is Preamble. ' deemed expedient to place a sum of money at the disposal of the 'Justices of the Peace in their respective Counties, to assist new Settlers and 'other persons in procuring Seed the ensuing Spring;'

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council Monies granted to and Assembly, That there be granted to the Justices of the Peace in the following Seed Potatoes.

Counties, that is to say:

The County of

Carleton, two hundred and twenty five pounds;

York, one hundred and fifty pounds;

Charlotte, three hundred pounds;

Kings, two hundred pounds;

Saint John, two hundred pounds;

Westmorland, three hundred pounds;

Albert, one hundred pounds;

Kent, two hundred pounds;

Northumberland, three hundred pounds;

Gloucester, two hundred pounds;

Restigouche, one hundred pounds; Queens, one hundred and fifty pounds;

Sunbury, one hundred pounds;

to be by them applied in affording assistance to poor Settlers and other persons

in procuring Seed Potatoes the ensuing Spring.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices at any General Distributors to be Sessions, in their respective Counties, or at any Special Sessions of the Peace for Justices. that purpose to be holden, at which not less than three fifths of the number of Magistrates of the County shall be present, to appoint fit persons in their respective Counties for the distribution of the said sums of money, for the purpose contemplated by this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That all persons obtaining relief under the provision obligation to repay of this Act, shall give an obligation to the Treasurer of their respective Counties, Roads to be taken: promising to pay the said sum which may be loaned to them, during the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, in labour on the Roads, under the direction of the Commissioner who may be appointed by the Sessions of the respective Counties for that purpose.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said obligations shall be returned to the To be delivered to respective County Treasurers, and shall be kept by them until the same shall be Treasurers. repaid, or a certificate of labour performed to that extent upon the Roads of their respective Counties.

CAP. LIII.

An Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases.

Passed 14th April 1846.

THEREAS in and by the fifth section of an Act made and passed in the Preamble. 'eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, 'intituled