

and other fire apparatus, and for such purposes to extend chains or ropes along, through or across such streets, alleys or highways; and any person obstructing or opposing, or assaulting a Fire Policeman in the discharge of his duty, or using violent, abusive or insulting language to a Fire Policeman, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding ten pounds, to be recovered before the Police Magistrate of the City, in the same manner and to the same effect as any other pecuniary penalty may be recovered before such Magistrate.

Penalty for obstructing Fire Policemen in the discharge of their duty.

2. If any person shall at any time or place whatsoever, wantonly or maliciously spoil, break, injure, damage, or render useless any engine, or any of the hose, materials or apparatus belonging to the engines, or used for the purposes of the Fire Department, he shall be guilty of felony.

Maliciously damaging fire engines, hose, &c., made felony.

CAP. IX.

An Act to restrain the going at large of Dogs within the City of Saint John.

Passed 14th April 1853.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows:—

1. The Common Council of the City of Saint John, by any bye laws may impose a tax on Dogs, to be levied yearly upon persons owning or keeping Dogs within the City, not exceeding five shillings for each Dog, and to be levied, paid and applied and appropriated as may be directed by such bye laws, and to restrain, licence, regulate, or entirely prevent Dogs going at large within the City, under such restrictions, regulations and conditions as the Common Council may direct, and to order the destruction of Dogs going at large contrary to the provisions of such bye laws, and to impose reasonable penalties and forfeitures for any breach thereof; provided that no such penalty shall exceed forty shillings for each offence, and that no person shall be obliged to pay more than five shillings annually for any one licence granted under the provisions of this Act.

Common Council authorised to levy a tax on dogs, and regulate or prevent the going at large of dogs.

Penalty not to exceed 40s. for each offence

2. An Act passed in the forty first year of the Reign of His Majesty George the Third, intituled *An Act for the further and better support of the Poor in the City of Saint John*, is hereby repealed.

Act 41 G. 3, c. 8, repealed.

CAP. X.

An Act relating to the Public Debt of the City of Saint John.

Passed 14th April 1853.

‘WHEREAS a Suit is now pending in the Court of Chancery in this Province, in which Her Majesty's Attorney General, by and at the relation of John C. Littlehale, Esquire, and others, of Carleton, in the City of Saint John, John M'Lauchlan, of the same place, Shipbuilder, James Stackhouse, Senior, of the same place, House Joiner, Josiah Wetmore, Junior, of the same place, Esquire, and William C. Dunham, of the same place, Farmer, for and on behalf of themselves and all other the inhabitants of that part of the City of Saint John called Carleton, are the Complainants; and the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, Hugh Johnston, John Robertson, Alfred Smithers, Thomas Merritt, William Wright, George Swinney, and Frederick A. Wiggins, are Defendants: And whereas the objects for which the said suit was instituted have been arranged by and between the parties thereto, and by and between the Honorable Robert L. Hazen, the Solicitor of the said Complainants, and the Honorable William B. Kinnear, the Solicitor for all the said Defendants, excepting the Defendant John Robertson, and by Duncan Robertson, Esquire, the Solicitor of the said Defendant John Robertson, that the said suit shall be discontinued; and in order to give effect to the terms, Be

Preamble.