

CAP. XXXV.

An Act in addition to Title Eight, of the Revised Statutes,
Chapter Fifty nine, "*Of preventing Fires.*"

Section.

1. Buildings may be pulled down to stop fire.
2. Value to be assessed on the District by the Sessions.

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3. Districts to be defined by the Sessions.
4. An assessment, for loss by Thomas Mealy authorized.
5. Act not to extend to Fredericton.

Passed 12th April 1855.

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

1. Three or more Firewards present at any fire shall have full power whenever a fire is raging in their district, and they shall deem it necessary to pull down or otherwise destroy any houses or buildings for the purpose of staying the progress of such fire, to order and direct all or any such buildings as may by such Firewards be deemed necessary for the purpose aforesaid, to be pulled down or otherwise destroyed; and no action shall be maintained against such Firewards, or any person or persons acting in their aid or under their direction for the purpose aforesaid, for any damage or loss resulting therefrom.

2. The Sessions upon due proof to them of the loss sustained, are authorized to assess upon the district in which the buildings so pulled down or destroyed for the purpose aforesaid were situate, the reasonable value thereof, to be paid by way of compensation to the person or persons whose buildings were so pulled down and destroyed; such amount to be assessed and collected in like manner as prescribed in Title VIII, of the Revised Statutes, for other rates.

3. The Justices of the Peace shall have full power at any General Sessions or Special Sessions for that purpose called, to define by metes and bounds, Fire Districts for the purpose of the preceding Section; where Cities or Municipalities are incorporated, the Councils shall have the power hereinbefore given to the Sessions. When no district shall be defined by said Justices or Council, this Act shall not apply.

4. The Sessions of the City and County of Saint John are hereby authorized, if they deem it proper so to do, to make an assessment for the loss sustained by one Thomas Mealy, of the Parish of Portland, in the County of Saint John, in consequence of the destruction of his building to stay the progress of a fire

in that Parish in the month of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, upon satisfactory proof made to them of the cause of such destruction, and of the value of the property; such assessment to be collected as hereinbefore provided.

5. This Act shall not apply to the City of Fredericton.

CAP. XXXVI.

An Act to prevent the Importation, Manufacture, and Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors.

Section.

1. Liquor, manufacturing, importing, or keeping for sale; penalty.
2. Appointment of Agents to import and sell for specific purposes.
3. Agents to give bonds, and conform to rules; suits against.
4. Vessels used in illegal importation, forfeited.
5. Search of vessels and destruction of liquors; reservation.
6. Reports and oaths respecting imported liquors, to be as in other cases.
7. Search for and seizure of liquors unlawfully imported, and the conveyances.
8. Liquor imported by an Agent and not reported, forfeiture.
9. Persons acting for another as to liquor, penalty.
10. Warrant by a Justice on receiving information Return of seizure.
11. Liquor seized without warrant, proceedings against.
12. Condemnation of liquors to bar action.
13. Agents, chemists, and manufacturers to conspicuously mark packages containing liquors.
14. Fraudulent marking packages of liquor, penalty.

Section.

15. Search warrant for liquor, on specific complaint; seizure; return and arrest of persons; judgment.
16. Fine or imprisonment on proof. Advertisement when persons not known; further proceedings.
17. No appeal to be allowed unless party gave notice; costs.
18. Arrest of and information required from persons found intoxicated.
19. Persons unlawfully dealing in liquor incompetent as jurymen. Cases under this Act to have a precedence.
20. Payments for liquors in violation of this Act to be as without consideration.
21. Ship stores exempted from seizure.
22. Liquors not imported for a County, Town, or City, to be contraband.
23. Construction of Terms.
24. Liquors usually known as alcoholic, to be deemed such without proof.
25. Prosecution for penalties, before whom.
26. Warrant of distress and sale for penalties.
27. Additional Fees.
28. Forms in Schedule to be good in law.
29. Licences to sell to be void after this Act comes in force.
30. Act to commence on 1st January 1856.

Forms.

Passed 12th April 1855.

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

1. Whoever shall manufacture, import, or bring into this Province, or sell or keep for sale, any liquors, unless specially licenced therefor in the manner hereinafter provided, shall on the first conviction, forfeit the sum of ten pounds, and on every subsequent conviction twenty pounds, or suffer imprisonment for a term not less than three nor more than twelve months, in the discretion of the Court or Justices.

2. The Sessions in every County, or in incorporated Counties the Council, may annually appoint an agent in each Parish to import, buy, and sell liquors for medicinal, mechanical, che-