

Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1807. Saint John, NB: John Ryan, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1807.

47 George III – Chapter 5

An Act to confirm the Proceedings of the justices of the Peace in King's County, and to authorize the said Justices to build and finish a Gaol and Court-House in the said County. Passed the 5th of March, 1807.

Whereas the Building formerly purchased by the Justices of the Peace in and for King's County, and used and occupied as a Gaol and Court-House in the said County, has been destroyed by fire, and the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County actuated by a regard for the public welfare and interest, and conceiving themselves to be thereunto authorized by the Laws now in force, have in their General Sessions upon the presentment of the Grand Jury of the said County of the want of a Gaol and Court-House in the said County, proceeded to direct a warrant of Assessment to be issued for the levying of the sum of Three Hundred Pounds upon the several Towns and Parishes in the said County, for the purpose of building a Gaol and Court-House upon the Public Ground in the town or parish of Kingston, in the said County, originally reserved for the purpose of erecting the public buildings of the said County thereon; and a part of the said sum has been paid in pursuance of the said warrant by the Inhabitants of the several towns and parishes in the said County.

And Whereas it is just and expedient that the said proceedings of the said Justices be ratified and confirmed,

I. Be it therefore enacted by the President, Council and Assembly, That the said proceedings of the said Justices of the Peace in and for King's County aforesaid, at their General Sessions or at any Special Sessions for that purpose holden for the purpose of building and finishing a Court-House and Gaol upon the said Public Ground in the said parish of Kingston, and the said warrant of Assessment so issued as aforesaid for the levying of the said sum of Three Hundred Pounds upon the several towns and parishes in the said County for the purpose of building a Gaol and Court-House upon the said Public Ground be, and the same are ratified and confirmed and rendered firm and valid in the Law, in the same manner and to all intents and purposes as if there had heretofore been no Gaol or Court-House in the said County, and no Assessment had been made in the said County for the purpose of building or finishing, or paying for or purchasing any building for a Gaol and Court-House in the said County.

II. And be it further enacted, that such parts of the sum of Three Hundred Pounds so assessed as aforesaid, as have not been already collected and paid, shall and may be levied, collected and paid in like manner and under the same restrictions, regulations, penalties and forfeitures in every respect as any sum or sums of money can be levied, collected and paid by virtue of the Laws now in force for assessing, collecting and levying County rates, any thing in the said Laws or either of them, or in any Law, usage or custom to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

III. And be it further enacted, That if the said sum of Three Hundred Pounds together with the money now in the hands of the Treasurer of the said County belonging to the said County and unappropriated to any other use or purpose, and the money to arise from the sale of the Lot herein after mentioned, shall not be sufficient to build and finish the said Gaol and Court-House upon the said Public Ground in Kingston aforesaid; it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices of the Peace in and for King's County aforesaid, at their General Sessions upon the presentment of the Grand Jury of such deficiencies, to make a further Rate Or Assessment of a further sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds for the purpose of building and finishing the said Gaol and Court-House; to be in such proportion and in such manner assessed, levied, collected and paid, as any other County Rates can or may be assessed, levied, collected and paid; and the said Justices of the Peace in and for King's County aforesaid, at their General Sessions, are hereby authorized and empowered to covenant, contract and agree with able and sufficient workmen for the well and sufficient building and finishing of the said Gaol and Court-House in the said County.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Justices of the Peace in, and for the said County for the time being, or the major part of them be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and dispose to the best advantage of the Lot of Land purchased with the Building so destroyed by fire as aforesaid, for the use of the said County, by the said Justices as aforesaid, to such purchaser or purchasers as may incline to purchase the same, and to give a good and authentic Deed or deeds to the purchaser or purchasers thereof; which sale so to be made shall be good and valid, and the monies arising from such sale or sales shall by such Justices be applied towards the building of the Gaol and Court-House aforesaid.