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Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1812. Saint John, NB: Jacob Mott, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1812.

52 George III – Chapter 11

An Act to authorise the Common Council of the City of Saint John, to appoint Constables for such Wards of the City, as shall omit to choose the same. Passed 7th of March, 1812.

Whereas by the Charter of the City of Saint John, the Freemen and Freeholders, of the said City, being inhabitants, are authorised and empowered to elect annually, one Constable for each of the six Wards of the City. And whereas it has frequently happened that in some of the said Wards no Constable has been chosen agreeably to the provisions of the said Charter.

- I. Be it enacted by the President, Council, and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Common Council of the said City annually, to appoint one fit person to be Constable, for each and every of the said Wards, in which no Constable shall have been chosen agreeably to the provisions of the said Charter.
- II. And be it further enacted, That if any Person appointed to the office of Constable, under and by virtue of this Act, or elected to the same office agreeably to the provisions of the said Charter, shall happen to die; or remove out of the said City; within the time for which he shall be so appointed or elected, or shall refuse to take upon himself to execute the said office, when so appointed or elected it shall and may be lawful for the said Common Council to appoint one other fit person to execute the said office, in the room of such person so dying, or removing, or refusing to take upon himself to execute such office.
- III. And be it further enacted, That every Person appointed under and by virtue of this Act, shall before he executes the office of Constable, be duly sworn as is provided by the said Charter, in the case of persons elected to the said office, and any person who shall refuse, deny, delay or neglect to take upon him to execute the said office, when so appointed by the said Common Council, shall be subject to the like fine as is provided by the said Charter, upon the refusal or neglect of any person to take upon him to execute the said office, after being elected to the same; to be imposed or recovered and levied and collected, as in and by the same Charter is provided.
- IV. And be it further enacted, That the persons who may be appointed to the office of Constable, under and by virtue of this Act, for the several Wards in the eastern district of the said City, shall be inhabitants of the Wards, for which they shall be respectively appointed, and Freemen of the said City, and the persons who may be in like manner appointed for the Wards in the western district of the said City, shall be inhabitants of the said district, and Freemen of the said City.