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Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1844. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1844.

7 Victoria – Chapter 13

An Act to remove the Old Gaol of the City and County of Saint John. Passed 25th March 1844.

Whereas the Old Gaol of the City and County of Saint John is in a ruinous state and being built of Wood, and standing within a few feet of the Court House and the New Gaol, greatly exposes those buildings to the risk of Fire; and doubts are entertained whether the same can be pulled down by the local authorities;

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of Saint John, at any General or Special Sessions hereafter to be holden for the said City and County, to order the Old Gaol of the said City and County of Saint John to be taken down and removed, and dispose of the same, or of the materials thereof, as they in their discretion shall think fit.