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**An Act to establish Periodical Fairs in the Town of Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland. Passed 27th March 1845.**

Whereas the establishment of Fairs or Public Market Days is calculated to promote Trade, encourage the Farmer, and lead to emulation and competition in the rural operations of the County;

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act there shall be two Public Fairs held at the Town of Newcastle, in the said County, on the first Tuesday in October and the first Tuesday in March in each and every year, under such rules, regulations and restrictions as the Justices of the Peace of the said County at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the said County, at the July Term, shall annually make, order and direct; which rules, regulations and restrictions shall, as soon as may be after the same are made, be published by the Clerk of the Peace or *Custos Rotulorum* of the County, in one or more of the public Newspapers of the County, or if none be there published, then in the Royal Gazette, for the next six months immediately after the making of such order; which orders, rules, and regulations, when so made and passed, shall continue and be in force till annulled, altered or amended by any subsequent order, which shall only be done at the July Term in each year.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices at their General Sessions from time to time, and at all times hereafter, to nominate and appoint an officer to be called the Keeper of such Fairs, and such other officers for the proper government of such Fairs as the said Justices in their said General Sessions may deem necessary for the conducting, managing and enforcing the orders, rules and regulations relating to the holding, conducting and management of such Fairs so to be holden as aforesaid, who shall respectively be sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of his or their offices, and which said Keeper and other officers appointed under the provisions of this Act, shall have the same power and authority as any constable or constables in all matters relating to the preservation of the peace and order during the continuance or operations of such Fairs or Market; and such Justices are hereby authorized from time to time at such General Sessions as aforesaid, at their pleasure, to remove such Keeper or other officers, and another or others to appoint in their stead, and to appoint the place in the said Town of Newcastle at which such Fairs shall be held, and shall have full power and authority, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to fix upon and regulate the rates and amount of fees to be received by the Keeper and officers of such Fairs, and how the same shall be collected, paid and received, and the sources from which the same are to be raised: Provided always, that if it shall at any time be deemed necessary by the said Justices at such Sessions to make an assessment for the payment of the fees of the officers appointed under the provisions of this Act for enforcing the rules and regulations so made, for the proper conducting of such Fairs or Market, the said Justices are

hereby authorized to order such assessment, which assessment shall be raised, levied and collected in the same manner as other County or Parish Rates are by Law now raised and collected: Provided always, that such assessment shall in all cases be confined to the residents of the Town of Newcastle, or persons residing within the following bounds or limits, that is to say: Between James Ledden's lower line in Newcastle on the one side, John A. Street's upper line on the upper side, and that the same shall not extend to the settlers on the back lots; and provided also, that such assessment shall not exceed the sum of five pounds in any one year.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, added to or diminished in any way so as more effectually to accomplish the objects thereof, the present Session of the Legislature.