

*Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1853.* Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1853.

16 Victoria – Chapter 17

**An Act to assess a certain District in the Parish of Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, to defray the expense of a Fire Engine, Engine House, and other articles connected therewith. Passed 14th April 1853.**

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte, at any General Sessions of the Peace hereafter to be holden, or the major part of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to raise by assessments, the sum of six hundred pounds for the purpose of paying for a fire engine and engine house, building or sinking reservoirs, purchasing fire hooks and ladders, the preservation of the engine, and for the better extinguishing of fires that may happen in that part of the Parish of Saint Stephen, in the said County, contained within the following limits, to wit:— Commencing on the Bank of the River Saint Croix, opposite or near the house recently occupied by the late Josiah Hitchings, thence directly to said house; thence northerly along the road leading towards Saint James, one mile; thence easterly one and a half miles, or until it strikes the Dennis Stream; thence along said Stream, and the course thereof, until it reaches the Saint Croix; thence westerly along the centre or middle of said River and the banks thereof, to the place of beginning; such assessment to be made in due proportion upon all and every person or persons who do or shall inhabit, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy any house, shop, mill, warehouse or other tenement or property liable to be consumed by fire within said District; such sum to be assessed, levied, collected and paid in such proportion, and in such manner as any County Rates can or may be assessed, levied, collected and paid, under any Act or Acts in force in this Province for assessing, levying and collecting of Rates for public charges.