From: British North America Legislative Database; University of New Brunswick bnald.lib.unb.ca

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Newfoundland, passed in the year 1863.

26 Victoria – Chapter 11

An Act to Amend the Law relating to the Appointment of Sheriffs. (Passed 25th March, 1863.)

Whereas the Annual Appointment of Sheriffs for the several Judicial Districts of this Island, occasions inconvenience and unnecessary Expense: For remedy whereof—

Be it Enacted by the Governor Legislative Council and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened:

That in all future Appointments of Sheriffs for the Districts aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to issue Commissions in the usual form, to the Parties to be appointed, to hold Office during Her Majesty's pleasure, instead of for One Year, as heretofore: And the Sheriffs so appointed shall in all respects have and exercise the same Power and Authority, and shall have the like Privileges and Emoluments, and shall perform the like Duties, and be subject to the like Responsibilities and Incidents, as are annexed to these Offices under the Law as it now exists: Provided that it shall be competent for the Governor in Council, from time to time, as he shall consider necessary, to require from the Sheriffs so appointed, further and additional Security for the performance of their Duties, besides that given by the said Sheriffs respectively at their first Appointment under this Act.