

Representation
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Province.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That from and after the end of the present parliament, the representation of the Commons of this Province in the House of Assembly, shall be in manner following, that is to say, That the county of Prescott shall be represented by one member; that the county of Glengary shall be represented by two members; that the counties of Stormont and Russell shall be represented by one member; that the counties of Dundas, Grenville, Leeds, Frontenac and Prince Edward, except the Township of Ameliasburgh, be each represented by one member; that the incorporated counties of Lenox and Addington, be together represented by two members; that the county of Hastings, and the Township of Ameliasburgh, in the county of Prince Edward, be represented by one member; that the counties of Northumberland and Durham, shall together be represented by one member; the East Riding of the county of York and the county of Simcoe by one member; that the West Riding of the county of York shall be represented by one member; that the first Riding of the county of Lincoln and the county of Haldimand shall be represented by two members, in manner following, viz. the townships of Salisfleet, Ancafter, Barton, Glanford and Binbrook, with so much of the county of Haldimand as lies between Dundas Street and the Onondaga Village, (commonly called Bearsfoot) on the River Ouse, by one member, and the townships of Grimby, Clinton, Gainsborough and Caistor, with so much of the county of Haldimand as lies between the Onondaga Village aforesaid and the mouth of the River Ouse, by one member; that the second riding of the County of Lincoln shall be represented by one member; that the third riding of the county of Lincoln shall be represented by one member; that the fourth riding of the county of Lincoln shall be represented by one member, that the counties of Oxford and Middlesex be together represented by one member; that the county of Norfolk shall be represented by one member; that the county of Kent shall be represented by one member; that the county of Essex shall be represented by two members.

At the expi-
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III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no returning officer or officers who may be hereafter appointed, shall continue any election more than six days, but shall at the expiration of that time, close the poll, notwithstanding any law, usage or custom to the contrary.

C H A P. XII.

An Act for the better regulating the Statute Labour in the Counties of Essex and Kent, in the Western District.

[Passed 16th March, 1808.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend and keep in repair the public highway leading through part of the Counties of Essex and Kent in the Western District, Be it therefore Enacted by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, "an act to repeal certain parts of an act passed in the fourteenth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, "an act for making more effectual provision for the government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the government of the said Province," and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Magistrates of the Western District, in Quarter Sessions assembled, or the major part of them, and they are hereby empowered to appoint one or more overseer or overseers,

feers, and to direct him or them when they shall deem it expedient, to order such inhabitants of the county of Kent as are liable to perform statute labour upon the highways and roads, to keep in good and sufficient repair that part of the road and also the bridges upon the same, beginning at the upper or second fork of the river Thames, in the township of Tilbury, thence leading down the said river Thames, and continuing along Lake Sinclair to Belle River, and the said magistrates in manner aforesaid shall appoint one or more overseer or overseers and direct him or them to order such inhabitants liable to perform statute labour on the highways & roads living between M'Kee's Creek and Belle River in the County of Essex, to keep in good and sufficient repair the road and bridges between Pike's Creek and the said Belle River, and across the same.

Road & bridges to be kept in repair by the inhabitants of the County of Kent.

Road & bridges to be kept in repair by persons living between M'Kee's Creek & Belle River in the County of Essex.

Bridge to be kept in repair by the inhabitants of the townships of Howard and Harwich.

Road to be kept in repair by the inhabitants of Camden and Chatham.

Bridge to be kept in repair by the inhabitants of the upper half of the township of Raleigh.

Penalties for refusing or neglecting to do the duties required by this Act.

Mode of conviction and of levying the penalties.

Application of the same.

The work done on the said roads and bridges, part of the statute labour.

II. And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said magistrates in manner aforesaid, shall direct the overseer or overseers of the townships of Howard and Harwich in the county of Kent, to order the inhabitants of the said townships jointly to make and keep in repair a good and sufficient bridge over the creek running through lot number twenty two in Harwich, commonly called and known by M'Kirgan's Creek, and shall also direct the overseer or overseers of the townships of Camden and Chatham in the said County, to order the inhabitants of said townships jointly to make and keep in repair a good and sufficient road leading from the landing place on lot number three in Howard, back to Arnold's Mill, and the said magistrates are in like manner empowered to direct the overseer or overseers of the upper half or division of the township of Raleigh in the said county to order the inhabitants living within the same, to keep in good and sufficient repair the bridge over the main fork near the town of Chatham, in the township of Harwich.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if any person who shall have been appointed overseer in the manner aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to perform the several and respective duties required of him by this act, he shall for each neglect or refusal thereof, forfeit and pay the sum of twenty shillings; and if any inhabitant as aforesaid shall refuse or neglect to work on such roads, or towards the repair of such bridges as aforesaid, after he shall have had from such overseer four days notice so to do, he shall for every such offence forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings.

IV. And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the penalties inflicted by virtue of this act, shall be levied and recovered by warrant under the hand and seal of some justice of the peace of the said district, which warrant such justice is hereby empowered and required to grant, upon conviction of the offender by confession or upon oath of one credible witness, and in default of payment, to levy the same by distress and sale of the offender's goods, rendering the overplus, if any, to the owner thereof, the necessary charges of making such distress and sale, being first deducted, which said penalty shall be applied towards the making and keeping in repair the said roads and bridges abovementioned, and in default of such distress, it shall and may be lawful for any such justice to commit the person so refusing or neglecting to the common gaol for any time not exceeding one month, unless the penalty, forfeiture, costs and charges shall respectively be sooner by him paid.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the work to be done upon the said roads and bridges as aforesaid shall be considered as a part of the annual statute labour, and shall be required only at such times as the said statute labour may be by law required.

C H A P. XIII.

An Act for the better regulation of Special Juries.

[Passed 16th March, 1808.

WHEREAS the existing laws of this Province are found insufficient to give special juries in the Court of King's Bench; Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the ad-

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