

Gaols within this Province is about to expire, and whereas it is desirable to continue and amend the said Act: *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, intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the Fourteenth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, '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 the above mentioned Act, and this Act for the continuance of it, shall be and continue in force for Four years from the passing of this Act, and no longer.

2d Geo. 4th, Cp. 6,
continued for 4 years.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons having given security to the Sheriff, for any Prisoner to enjoy the Limits of the Gaol, to surrender such Prisoner into the hands of the Sheriff, or his Deputy or Gaoler, and upon such surrender the Sheriff shall and he is hereby required to deliver up the bond or security given to him by such person or persons, that he or they shall be wholly discharged therefrom. *Provided always*, that nothing in this Clause contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent the Sheriff, of any District, from Renewing such Security in the same manner as if such Prisoner had not enjoyed the Limits of such Gaol.

Bail for the limits may
surrender the Debtor.

Sheriff may take new
security.



CHAP. VIII.

AN ACT to make further and more effectual provision for the Prevention of Accidents by Fire in the several Police Towns of this Province.

[Passed 30th January, 1826.]

WHEREAS the means provided by Law for the Prevention and Extinguishing of accidental Fires, have hitherto proved insufficient from the want of a compensation being authorized for the services of persons who may be employed as Fire-men: *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, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act, passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the

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Formation of Fire-Companies and privileges granted to the Members of such Companies in Police Towns.

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 so soon as one or more Company or Companies shall be formed in any Town where a Police is or may be established by Law, of Persons voluntarily enrolling themselves as Fire-men, being Inhabitants of the said Town, under the Provisions of the Laws heretofore made for that purpose, it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace, in any District in which such Town may be situated in General Quarter Sessions assembled, or the majority of them being satisfied of the efficiency of such persons and accepting their enrollment to direct the Clerk of the Peace for such District, to grant to each member of such Corps or Company a certificate that he is enrolled on the same, which certificate shall exempt the individual named therein during the period of his enrollment and his continuance in actual duty as such Fire-man from Militia duty in time of Peace, from serving as a Jurymen or a Constable, and from all other Parish and Town-Offices; any Law, Custom or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Persons serving in such Companies may be discharged for neglect or misconduct.

II. *Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be in the power of the Justices of the Peace, in and for any District in this Province, or the majority of them, at any General or Adjourned Sessions, upon complaint to them made of neglect of duty by any individual of such Fire Company, to examine into the same, and for any such cause; and also, in case of conviction of any individual of such Company for a breach of any of the rules legally made for the regulation of the same, to strike off the name of any such individual from the list of such Company, and from thenceforward, the certificate which may have been granted to such individual as aforesaid, shall have no effect in exempting him from any duty or service, in the preceding clause of this Act mentioned. *Provided always nevertheless,* that it shall be in the discretion of the Justices of the Peace for any District of this Province, or the majority of them, in General Quarter Sessions assembled, to consent to the formation as aforesaid, of any Fire Company under the provisions of this Act for any Police Town within their District, or to defer the same until the circumstances of any such town may, in their opinion, render it expedient, and that they may, also, in their discretion from time to time discontinue or renew any such Company or Companies.

Justices to have discretion as to forming and continuing such Companies.



CHAP. IX.

AN ACT to provide for the improvement of the Light House on Gibraltar Point, and for imposing duties for defraying the charge of the same and for erecting other Houses in this Province.

[Passed 30th January, 1826]

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WHEREAS it is expedient to provide a fund for the support of the Light House on Gibraltar Point, and to render the same more servicea-