

CHAP. XI.

AN ACT to repeal part of and amend the Laws now in force in this Province respecting the appointment and duties of certain Township Officers.

[Passed 6th March, 1834.]

WHEREAS much inconvenience is experienced in consequence of the Assessors of the several Towns or Townships of this Province being obliged by Law to attend at the District Town of the District in which the Town or Township for which any person may have been appointed Assessor is situate, in order to deliver and to verify his Assessment List on oath, to be made before the Clerk of the Peace of the 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 the third section of an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, entitled, "An Act to repeal part of the second clause of an Act passed in the thirty-third year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act to provide for the nomination and appointment of Parish and Town Officers within this Province, and to make more effectual provision for obtaining an accurate census of the population of this Province,'" be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Preamble.

4 Geo. 4, Sess. 4,
c. 7, s. 3, repealed.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That every Assessor shall subscribe the Assessment List by him taken, and shall make oath before the Clerk of the Peace or some Justice of the Peace of the District, (who is hereby authorised to administer the same) that the same has been faithfully taken, by attendance at the usual place of residence of the several householders or heads of families therein named, and contains a true and correct statement of the number of Inhabitants in the Township, place or places, for which the same shall have been taken, according to the best of his knowledge and belief: and shall transmit the same, so verified, to the Clerk of the Peace of the District, on or before the first General Quarter Sessions holden in each District, after the first day of April in each year.

Assessor to subscribe Assessment List, and make oath as to its correctness.

And transmit it to the Clerk of the Peace.

Form of Return.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said Assessors shall, in separate columns, return the number, sex and age, of persons insane, deaf or dumb, within the Township for which they may have been appointed Assessors.

Perjury under this Act.

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any person shall wilfully swear himself under the provisions of this Act, he shall be guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury.

Statute 46, Geo. 3, c. 5, s. 2. repealed.

V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That from and after the passing of this Act, the second clause of an Act passed in the forty-sixth year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Third, entitled, "An Act to alter and amend an Act passed in the thirty-third year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act to provide for the nomination and appointment of Parish and Town Officers,' and also to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the thirty-third year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act to authorise and direct the levying and collecting of Assessments and Rates in every District in this Province, and to provide for the payment of wages to the Members of the House of Assembly," be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Power of Justices at Quarter Sessions when meetings for appointment of officers not held at times prescribed by Law.

VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That when from neglect or any other cause, any Town Meeting shall not be holden on the first Monday in the month of January, for the purpose of choosing and nominating Parish and Town Officers, agreeable to the Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Third, entitled, "An Act to repeal part of, and alter and amend an Act passed in the thirty-third year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act to provide for the nomination and appointment of Parish and Town Officers within this Province,'" in any Township or united Townships, or in case any of the Parish or Town Officers are not chosen and appointed at the Town Meeting, it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace in Quarter Sessions assembled for the District in which such Township or united Townships are situate, or a majority of them, to nominate and appoint the said Parish or Town Officers of such Township or united Townships, until the next Town Meeting.