

CHAP. XLII.

AN ACT to extend the period for which the Magistrates of the District of Victoria are authorised to levy an additional rate in the said District, by an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, "An Act to authorise the erection of the County of Hastings into a separate District."

[Passed 10th February, 1840.]

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to extend the period for which the Magistrates of the District of Victoria are authorised to levy an additional rate in the said District, by an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, "An Act to authorise the erection of the County of Hastings into a separate District": *And whereas* the Magistrates of the said District of Victoria, have by their Petition prayed that a tax on the property of the said Inhabitants, for the purpose of liquidating the debt and interest contracted for building the Gaol and Court House therein be continued: *Be it therefore enacted* by the Queen'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the authority of the same, That the twenty-first and twenty-second clauses of the said Act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Magistrates of and residing within the said District, shall have power and authority, and they are hereby authorised and empowered at their Quarter Sessions assembled, to resolve that an increased tax of one penny in the pound over and above the ordinary assessment on all ratable property within the said District, shall be levied and collected, until it shall appear to the said Magistrates that said debt and interest contracted as aforesaid shall have been paid, for the purpose of paying said debt and interest, which resolution shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Peace of said District, signed by the Chairman of the said Quarter Sessions.

Preamble.

21st and 22d. sec. 7,
Wm. IV, chap. 31.
repealed.

Magistrates may resolve
that an additional rate
be imposed on ratable
property in District of
Victoria;

Resolution to be sent
to Clerk of the Peace.

Clerk of the Peace shall add this rate to the assessment list, till it is not necessary for paying expense of erecting the Gaol and Court-house.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Peace for the District of Victoria, to add to the Assessment List for the several Townships within the said District, the said increased tax of one penny, according to the resolution furnished him as aforesaid, until by a resolution which shall be passed in open Quarter Sessions, and signed by the Chairman as aforesaid, it shall appear that it is no longer necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Collectors to receive and pay over this new rate in the same manner as ordinary assessments.

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the Collectors of the several Townships within the said District, and they are hereby required to collect the moneys authorised by the authority of this Act, to pay the same over to the Treasurer of the said District of Victoria, in the same way and manner as the ordinary Assessments of the District have been heretofore collected and paid.

Money so raised to be expended solely in paying debt contracted in building Gaol and Court house.

V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Magistrates of and residing within the said District, shall expend the money raised by the authority of this Act, towards paying the debt and interest now contracted for building a Gaol and Court House for the use of the said District, and for no other purpose whatsoever.

No percentage to the Treasurer, Assessor or Collector, on this rate.

VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no percentage shall be allowed to the Treasurer of the said District, nor to any Assessor or Collector, for the moneys raised and collected by the provisions of this Act.

CHAP. XLIII.

AN ACT to authorise the raising of a sum of money, in the District of Niagara, for the purpose of relieving the said District from Debt.

[Passed 10th February, 1840.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Magistrates of the District of Niagara, in General Quarter Sessions assembled, have in their Petition to the Legislature, set forth that in consequence of the embarrassed state of the Finances of that District, it has become absolutely necessary that an Act should be passed authorising the borrowing of a sufficient sum of money to liquidate the outstanding Debts of the said District, or in the event of their not being able to procure a loan, to raise the same by an additional rate upon