

*Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1827. York: Robert Stanton, 1827.

8 George IV – Chapter 13

**An Act to provide for the Erection of a Gaol and Court House in the District of Gore. Passed 17th Feb'y. 1827.**

Whereas it appears by the Petitions of the Magistrates and Inhabitants of the Gore District, that the Magistrates thereof have Contracted for the Erection of a Gaol and Court House at Hamilton, in the said District, but the legal Assessments, although rapidly increasing, not enabling them to discharge the amount for which they have contracted with suitable promptness, provision by Law is required to aid them in carrying the said contract into effect.

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 formaking moreeffectual Provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America, andto makefurther Provision for the Government of the said Province;'*" and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District, in General Quarter Sessions assembled, and they are hereby authorized and required to apply towards the expense of building such Gaol and Court House, all such monies arising from such Rates and Assessments as now are, or may come into the hands of the Treasurer of the said District, and applicable to the uses of the same, not required for the ordinary and incidental expenses of the said District.—Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall authorize the expenditure of a greater sum than Four Thousand Pounds in the erecting and completing the said Gaol and Court House.

II. And whereas from the present state of the Building used as a Gaol and Court House in the said District, it is highly expedient that the provisions of this Act should be carried into effect without delay; Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace, in and for the said District, in General Quarter Sessions assembled, in April next, and they are hereby required by an order of the said Court, to authorize and direct the Treasurer of the said District to raise, by Loan, from such person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, who may be willing to lend the same on the credit of the District, a sum not exceeding Four Thousand Pounds, to be applied in the building of the said Gaol and Court House.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the money so borrowed under the authority of this Act shall not bear a greater Interest than Six per Centum per Annum, and that the Treasurer of the said District, for the time being, shall

annually, until the Loan so raised with the Interest accruing thereon shall be paid and discharged, apply towards the payment of the same, a sum not less than Three Hundred Pounds, from and out of the Rates and Assessments so coming into his hands for the use of the District as aforesaid, together with all such monies as may remain in his hands after the payment of the ordinary and incidental charges of the year.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Treasurer of the District of Gore shall not receive any percentage for any sum or sums of money which may be Loaned under the authority of this Act, and which may come into his hands, or for paying out the same.