

year for which such rates aforesaid shall be respectively levied, shall have been assessed for any house or building, or any part thereof, which during such year shall have continued vacant for more than three calendar months 5 of such year; and also the case or cases of such persons as may be assessed in respect of any property in the said Town, who from sickness, extreme poverty or any other cause, shall be unable to pay any rate by this Act 10 imposed; and on hearing such case or cases it shall and may be lawful for the said Town Council to compound for or receipt the whole of any such rate or rates.

Proprietors  
and lessees  
liable for as-  
ses-ment on  
property.

Proviso.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That all pro- 15 prietors, lessees and others, who shall let for rent premises within the said Town, shall themselves as well as the occupiers of such premises, be liable and responsible for the rate and assessment aforesaid on such pre- 20 mises, and such assessment shall and may be recovered from the lessee or occupant, if any, in the first place, and in default of distress, then from the proprietor, by the Collector or Collectors of the said Town, under 25 any By-law made for that purpose by the said Mayor and Town Council: And provided always, when any such rate or assessment shall be paid by any such tenant not bound to make such payment by the lease 30 or other agreement under which he holds or occupies such premises, such tenant shall have the right to deduct the sum so paid by him from the rent next payable by him in respect of the occupation or enjoyment of the 35 premises so rated or assessed.

Certain provi-  
sions with re-  
spect to statute  
labour, repeal-  
ed.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That so much of the general laws of this Province as provides or declares, and so far only as the same provides and declares, the number of 40 days of statute or road labour which every inhabitant or person shall perform, or be liable to perform, shall, from and after the first day of January in the year of Our Lord