

To prevent doubts as to right of voting or being elected, first committee forthwith to make book of Rates.

AND whereas to prevent doubts as to the right of voting in the election of, or of being elected to serve in the said committee for the town of *Saint John*; BE it further Enacted, That the committee first elected as aforesaid, shall forthwith proceed to estimate the value of all property permanently held in the town and limits aforesaid, and prepare and make a book of rates, in manner and form as by this Act directed, in order to lay the same before the next meeting of the said inhabitants, in the ensuing month of \_\_\_\_\_ and until the said book of rates shall be so prepared and made, it shall not be lawful for the said committee, or their successors, to proceed to the exercise of any other power or authority under this Act.

Such rates to be enforced by action in the name of the committee.

Application of rates, &c.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said committee and their successors, to enforce the payment of the said rates, by action in the said Supreme Court; and the monies so rated, assessed and recovered, and all fines to be imposed by the said Supreme Court, shall be paid and applied by the said committee and their successors, towards carrying into effect such bye laws as relate to the prevention of fire, making and repairing the public streets, appointing a nightly watch, and establishing and maintaining a public market as aforesaid, and for no other purposes whatsoever.

Committee to keep proper books, to be submitted at each annual meeting.

In case of abuse, parties to be punished.

And be it further Enacted, That the said committee and their successors, shall keep proper and correct books of accounts, showing all sums of money whatever received by them, by virtue of this Act, and in what manner the same shall be appropriated and disposed of, and the said books shall be regularly made up and submitted by the said committee and their successors, at the close of their respective years of office, to the Governor of *Newfoundland*, for the time being, and also to the meeting annually assembled, for the purpose of electing the successors of such committee; and in case there shall at any time be made to appear any withholding or misappropriating of the said money by the said committee or their successors for the time being, or any of them, or by any other person or persons acting under them, the same shall be refunded by the person or persons withholding or misappropriating the same; and in case the said committee or their successors for the time being, or any of them, or any person or persons acting under them, shall abuse the powers and authorities vested in them or him, under and by virtue of this Act, every person so offending, shall be prosecuted by information, in the name of the Attorney General of *Newfoundland*, for the time being, in the said Supreme Court; and such fines and pecuniary penalties shall and may be imposed upon the party or parties offending, as to the same court may seem proportionate to the offence; which fines and penalties shall be paid over to the next succeeding committee, and shall be applied by them to the uses hereinbefore mentioned.

In the event of the inhabitants of other towns

And be it further Enacted, That in the event of the inhabitants of any other town in *Newfoundland* being desirous of having a committee