

Penalty on lodging  
or harbouring  
them.

manding officers, or other officers appointed for that purpose, shall for the first offence, if inhabitants of the towns, forfeit ten pounds, and be imprisoned one month; if residing in the country, shall forfeit five pounds, and be imprisoned for the same time; and double the sum, and double the time of imprisonment, for the second, and every other subsequent offence of the like nature.

#### A R T. X.

Manner of prosecuting for the penalties.

In all cases where the manner of prosecuting for the penalties inflicted by this ordinance has not been directed; where the fine imposed does not exceed the sum of forty shillings, any one field officer of the militia, or inspector when such officer shall be appointed, of the district wherein the offence shall have been committed, being a commissioner of the peace; and where the penalty exceeds the sum of forty shillings, or directs the imprisonment of the offender, any two field officers, or one field officer and inspector, as before, belonging to the district in which the offence shall have been committed, being commissioners of the peace, or any other two commissioners of the peace for that district; is and are hereby authorized, upon information laid before them, to take cognizance of, and hear in a summary manner, all offences committed against the intent and meaning of this ordinance, to inflict the penalties, and levy the fines, by warrant under his or their hands and seals, and all monies arising therefrom, to be by him or them transmitted to the receiver-general of the province, and applied, as other public monies, to his majesty's use; subject nevertheless, in cases where the penalty is of, or exceeds ten pounds, and where the party offending is to be imprisoned for more than one month, or to be expelled the militia, to an appeal before the governor, or in his absence, the lieutenant-governor, or commander in chief, for the time being, and any five members of his majesty's council (the commissioners of the peace who shall have heard the same and given judgment therein only excepted) who are hereby appointed a court of appeals for that purpose, and authorized to hear and finally to determine the same.

Appeal in certain cases to the governor and council.

#### A R T. XI.

Persons exempted from serving in the militia, &c.

The members of his majesty's council, judges, and other officers of civil government, the seigniors, styled here *seigneurs primitifs*, the noblesse, so acknowledged under the antient government of the country, half pay or reduced officers, clergy, students of the seminaries of Québec and Montreal, and persons employed in offices of public utility, are exempted from serving in the militia or furnishing