

## PUBLIC MEETINGS.

- may commit offenders by warrant to imprisonment, for a period not exceeding forty-eight hours, s 11.
17. Offenders committed under this Act for disturbing public meetings, to pay costs of arrest, transmission to Gaol, and detention, s 11.
  18. Chairman of such meetings authorized to command the aid of all Justices of the Peace, Constables to assist in preserving the peace, s 2.
  19. Justices of the Peace, present upon receiving a written application from the Chairman, shall swear in as many Special Constables as they may deem necessary to keep the peace, s 13.
  20. Any person between the ages of eighteen and sixty years refusing to be sworn in a Special Constable, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be fined not more than forty shillings, s 14.
  21. Such fine recoverable as in other cases of misdemeanor, s 14.
  22. Justices of the Peace shall have power to disarm any person going to or attending such meeting with any offensive weapon in his possession, s 15.
  23. Persons refusing to deliver up offensive weapons, guilty of a misdemeanor, and liable to the fine specified in section fourteen, s 15.
  24. Justices of the Peace to record refusal to deliver up offensive weapons, and to adjudge the fine as in Section fourteen, s 15.
  25. And upon refusal to deliver up offensive weapons, Justice of the Peace may disarm the offender by force, s 15.
  26. Offensive weapons which have been peaceably delivered up, if over the value of five shillings, may be returned to the owner, on the day after the meeting, s 16.
  27. No Justice of the Peace shall be held liable for the loss or damage of any weapon accidentally injured or lost, s 16.
  28. Persons convicted of a battery on the day and within two miles of the place of any public meeting, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds, or imprisonment of not more than three calendar months, at the discretion of the Court, s 17.
  29. It shall not be lawful for any person but those herein excepted, on the day of any public meeting, to approach the place thereof within two miles with any offensive weapon, under penalty not exceeding twenty-five pounds, or imprisonment not exceeding three calendar months, or both at the discretion of the Court, s 18.
  30. Sheriffs, Under Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, The Mayor, High Bailiff, Constables and Special

## RAFTS.

- Constables, employed at such meeting, are excepted from the application of section eighteen, s 18.
31. Persons lying in wait for others in returning from public meetings, with intent either by assault or other demeanor, to provoke them to a breach of the Peace, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and punishable by fine not exceeding fifty pounds, or imprisonment not exceeding six Calendar months, or both, at the discretion of the Court, s 19.
  32. Actions for things done under authority of this Act, must be brought within twelve months after the cause of such action, s 20.
  33. Act to be read aloud in open Court on the first day of every General Quarter Sessions for two years after the passing thereof, s 21.
- Schedule A.—Addition to be made to the notice or summons calling any Public Meeting.
- Schedule B.—Notice for calling Public Meetings on requisition.
- Schedule C.—Notice and Declaration by Justices of the Peace.

### *Public Officers.*

1. To exempt Public Officers from the expense of new Commissions, on the demise of the Crown, 7 Vict. c. 8. 9th Dec. 1843.
2. On the demise of the Crown it shall not be necessary for the public Officers or Functionaries to receive new Commissions, s 1.
3. Governor by Proclamation to authorize all persons in Office to continue in the exercise of their respective duties, &c. taking the usual oath of allegiance, s 1.
4. Proclamation being issued, and oath taken, every public officer to continue such to the same effect as if appointed *de novo* by commission, s 1.
5. All acts of office *bona fide* and duly performed, between the demise of the Crown and the issue of the Proclamation to be good and valid, s 1.
6. The rights or Prerogative of the Crown not prejudiced or affected by this Act, s 2.

### **Q.**

*Qualification of Justices of the Peace, See Judicature, 113.*

*Quebec, See Education Society.*

### **R.**

*Rafts, Conductors of, See Timber, 37.*