As to non-resident proprietors in arrear of rates.

XIII. And be it enacted, That when the proprietor of any lands liable to rate, and upon which any rate or rates is or are in arrears, shall reside out of the Judicial District in which such lands may be situate, then and in that case service of the Writ of Summons in any suit or action 5 brought for the recovery of any such fines, penalties, rates or sums of money, may be made upon the known or reputed agent of such proprietor, if such agent be resident within such Judicial District, or at his office or domicile; and if the proprietor of any lands upon which 10 any such fines, or penalties, rates or sums of money are or shall become due, have no agent resident within such Judicial District, a copy of such Writ of Summons shall be inserted in the Canada Gazette and one other public journal, published within such Judicial District, in both 15 the English and the French language, at least one month before the day appointed in such writ for the appearance of the Defendant; and the production of the numbers of the Gazette and Journal respectively, containing such copy of such Writ of Summons shall be taken and con- 20 sidered as proof of the due service of the same.

Assessment Roll to be criterion of property qualification. XIV. And he it enacted, That where by any law of this Province in force in Lower Canada, a qualification in real property shall be necessary to enable any person or persons to hold any office in Lower Canada, the 25 Assessment Roll of the locality in which such property may be situate, shall be the criterion of the value of such property.

Municipal Councils invested with certain powers in cases of joint labour on highways.

XV. And whereas until the Road Laws of Lower Canada shall have undergone a general revision, it is ex-30 pedient to enact, be it therefore enacted, That in all cases of joint labour upon any Highway it shall not be necessary to divide or apportion such joint labour into stints or divisions, unless the Municipal Councils shall so direct, and the Municipal Councils shall have power to de-35 termine in what cases the parties obliged to make and maintain any By-road shall be also bound to make and maintain the fence or fences on the side or sides of such By-road, or any and what portion of such fences, and how long such person or persons shall be bound to maintain 40 such fence or fences.

Persons bound to perform labour, to contribute according to assessed value of their property.

Proviso.

XVI. And be it enacted, That in all cases of joint labour upon the highways or bridges, the persons bound to perform such labour shall contribute to such joint labour according to the assessed value of their proper-45 ty, and in any apportionment to be made of such joint labour, such apportionment shall be according to such assessed value, and not otherwise: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect any apportionment of labour made before the passing of this 50 Act, but the Municipal Councils shall have power to alter