

the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, to nominate and appoint as many fit and proper persons to form a Committee in each and every of the Districts within the several Counties as aforesaid, as to him shall seem proper; and shall and may, by Warrants under his Hand and Seal, authorize the said Committees, or any one Member of each respectively, who shall be nominated in writing by a majority of such Committees respectively, to receive at the Treasury of this Island the several amounts of Money hereinbefore apportioned for each District; and such Committees, or the majority of each of them respectively, shall have power, and are hereby required, to purchase all such Barley, Oats and Potatoes, in such proportions of each, and to distribute the same among the aforesaid Settlers, at such times and in such quantities as to such Committees, or the majorities of them respectively shall seem needful and necessary: And it shall be lawful for the several Members of such Committees within their respective Districts, and they are hereby required and directed, in all cases, to take from all such persons who shall be supplied with any Seed as aforesaid, an obligation in writing by them subscribed for the repayment or return of the value of the costs and charges of such Seed, either in money or work and labour on the Public Roads, at the election of the person giving the same; which Obligation in every case shall be made payable to the Commissioner of Roads in whose District the person giving the same may reside, or to his successor in office for the time being, and shall be assignable by the Commissioner for the time being to any Overseer of Roads within his District; and if not discharged according to the tenor of such Obligation, the amount thereby secured shall be recoverable with costs in any of the Courts in this Island for the recovery of Small Debts, in like manner as Promissory Notes now are: Provided always, that no quantity of Seed shall be delivered to any person until such obligation is given as aforesaid, nor where

District in the several Counties for distribution, &c.

Warrants to be issued to a member of any Committee authorized by a majority to receive money for distribution.

Duty of Committees.

Further duty of Committee.

Obligation to be taken for the repayment or return of value of Seed advanced to any settler.

How and to whom payable.

Mode of recovery of obligation.

No seed to be given to any settler until Obligation be taken.