

Newfoundland; and that all such forfeitures and penalties shall be applied and disposed of to the use of His Majesty's government in *Newfoundland*.

Provision for
Quakers and
Jews.

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act contained relating to marriages in *Newfoundland*, shall extend to any marriages amongst the people called Quakers, or amongst the persons professing the Jewish religion, where both the parties to any such marriage shall be of the people called Quakers, or persons professing the Jewish religion respectively.

Housekeep-
ers and
others in the
Town of St.
John to as-
semble once
a year, and
that a com-
mittee, who
shall have
power to
make bye
laws for se-
curing the
town from
fire, &c. such
bye laws to
be first sub-
mitted to the
Chief Justice,
and approved
by the Go-
vernor.

AND whereas great inconveniences have been felt by the inhabitants of the town of *Saint John*, in the said Island of *Newfoundland*, from the want of bye laws, and suitable regulations for the security, cleanliness and good government of the said town; AND in order to prevent the necessity of frequently recurring to Parliament, it is expedient to lodge the power of making such bye-laws, in certain cases of a local nature, in persons residing within the said Colony, BE it further Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor of *Newfoundland*, by public notice, to summon and require all housekeepers, and other persons residing within the said town of *Saint John's*, or the limits thereof, as hereinafter described, who shall severally be possessed of property situated within the said town or limits aforesaid, and which shall be estimated and assessed at the yearly value of and upwards, (or until the first annual rate or assessment shall be made thereon, which shall be reputed to be of the annual value of and upwards) to assemble and meet on the in each and every year at the hour of at the Court House, or other public place in the said town, which shall be publicly notified for such purpose, by the Governor aforesaid; and the said housekeepers and other persons residing in *Saint John's* as aforesaid, and then present at such meeting, shall have power by plurality of votes to elect persons, being all resident within the said town of *Saint John's*, or the limits thereof hereinafter mentioned, and severally possessed of property within the town and limits as aforesaid, which shall be estimated and assessed at the yearly rent of and upwards (or until such estimate and assessment shall be made, which shall be reputed to be worth the sum of

per annum) to be a committee; and the said persons so elected, shall be a committee for regulating the said town as hereinafter mentioned; and the said committee, and their successors, to be annually elected in manner as aforesaid, shall have power and authority from time to time, during the term of their respective elections, to form and make regulations for better securing the said town from fire, and providing suitable fire engines and conveniences for the same, making and repairing the public streets and ways in the said town, and keeping the same in cleanliness and good order, as well as abating all nuisances therein, appointing a nightly watch at such times and in such manner as may be necessary; establishing and conducting a public market or markets for the sale of meat, fish, poultry, and vegetables, and appointing