

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows :—

£20,000 to be chargeable on the common lands on the western side of the Harbour ; Residue of the Public Debt to be chargeable on all the other Corporate property.

1. The sum of twenty thousand pounds, and no more, shall be and is hereby made a charge upon and payable out of the common lands on the west side of the Harbour of Saint John, as granted by the Charter of the City of Saint John, bearing date the eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five ; and the residue of the Public Debt of the said City of Saint John shall be and is hereby made a charge upon and payable out of the common lands on the east side of the Harbour of the said City, as granted by the said Charter, and all other the real and personal estate of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, and all other the general revenue and income of the said Corporation, arising from any source whatever, except special grants of the Legislature and funds specially raised and appropriated by law.

Accounts of rents of lands on the western side of the Harbour, and application of the proceeds.

2. The Chamberlain of the City shall keep a separate account of the rents, issues and profits of the common lands of the west side of the Harbour, which shall be rendered by him to the Common Council annually on the thirty first day of December, without any charge for the same ; the said rents, issues and profits of the said common lands on the west side of the Harbour, after deducting the legal charges incident to the collection of the said rents, issues and profits, and management of the said lands, shall be applied by the Common Council of the City to the payment of the interest half yearly of the said sum of twenty thousand pounds, or so much thereof as may remain due, at such rate, not exceeding six per cent. per annum, as shall be paid on the remainder of the said Public Debt ; and the residue of such rents, issues and profits shall be applied by the Common Council of the City to the sole improvement, benefit and advantage of that part of the City lying on the west side of the said Harbour, and of the inhabitants thereof, for ever ; provided always, that no appropriation of the residue of such rents, issues and profits of the said common lands on the west side of the Harbour, or of any part thereof, and no order or act of the Common Council for laying out, leasing, or otherwise disposing of any of the said common lands on the west side of the Harbour not yet laid out, shall be binding or valid, unless made with the assent of not less than three Members of the Common Council, and representing Wards on the west side of the Harbour.

Low water mark to be established as the boundary of the common lands on the western side of the Harbour.

3. The common lands on the west side of the Harbour shall extend to the present line of low water mark, and the Common Council of the said City are hereby required, within six months after the passing of this Act, to establish and define by actual survey such line, as the line of low water mark, by such metes, bounds and marks as shall be most effectual for that purpose, and a just description of such line, and a plan thereof, shall be filed in the office of the Common Clerk of the said City, and that such line so established shall forever after be the boundary of the common lands on the west side of the Harbour.

Application of the City revenues, and of the profits of the lands on the eastern side of the Harbour.

4. The general revenues of the said City, and all other sources of income of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, and all rents, issues and profits arising from the sale or other disposal of the said common lands on the east side of the Harbour, or from their other real and personal estate, shall be applied as follows, viz :—To the payment of the salaries of the Public Officers of the said City as now established, and all requisite contingencies and expenses of management, and also all expenditures necessary to the maintaining and keeping in repair the public property of the City, and all other usual and proper exigencies of the public service, and after payment thereof, to the pay-
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