

loan, at the rate of six per cent. until called for and claimed by the party to whom it shall belong, to whom the same shall be paid.

39. The said Council shall have power to remit a portion or even the whole of the amount due for assessment to indigent parties assessed under this Act, in certain cases of fire, long illness, or any other cause which the said Council shall deem reasonable and sufficient. Assessment may be remitted in these cases.

40. If any person shall transgress any order or regulation made by the said Town Council, under the authority of this Act, such person shall for every such offence, forfeit the sum specified in any such order, rule or regulation, with the costs to be allowed by the Justices of the Peace who shall try such offence, in accordance with the tariff then in force for the fees of the officers of the said Justices of the Peace, to be levied on the goods and chattels of the offender, and, in default of such goods and chattels, the offender shall be liable to be committed to the Common Gaol of the District, for a term not exceeding one month, but which may be less in the discretion of the Court; no person shall be deemed an incompetent witness upon any information under this Act, by reason of his being a resident of the said Town of Beauharnois; provided always, that the information and complaint for any breach of any order or regulation of the said Town Council shall be made within one month next after the time of the offence committed; and provided also, that no fine or penalty shall be inflicted for any such offence, which shall be less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars, and that no imprisonment for any such offence shall, in any case, be more than one calendar month, and the costs of transport in effecting such imprisonment shall be borne by the said Town Council; and the said Council shall also have power to punish, by forfeiture of their goods, articles and provisions, all persons exposing them for sale on the markets, or in the streets of the said Town, and infringing at the same time the by-laws of the said Council as regards the weight and quality of such goods, articles and provisions. Penalties for infringing By-laws, how punishable, &c.
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41. All the debts hereafter due to the said Town Council for all taxes or assessments imposed on movable or immovable property in the said Town, shall, by virtue of this Act, be privileged debts, and shall be paid in preference to all other debts, and the said Town Council shall, in all cases of distribution of moneys, be collocated in preference to all other creditors; provided, that this privilege shall have its full and complete effect without its being necessary to have recourse to registration. Taxes and assessments shall be privileged debts.

42. All the fines and penalties recovered under the provisions of this Act, shall be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Town Council, and the proceeds of all licenses granted under this Act shall form part of the public funds of the said Town, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. To whom penalties, &c., shall be paid.

43. Before any By-law of the said Town Council shall have force or be binding, such By-law shall be published in the French language, by reading the same at the door of the Catholic church of the said Town on the two Sundays next after the passing of such By-law, or by posting up a copy thereof in two of the most public places in the said Town. By-laws, &c., to be published.

44. It shall be lawful for the said Town Council, from time to time, to borrow divers sums of money for effecting improvements in the said Town, for the purpose of building one or more market houses, Council may effect loans.