

Annual town meetings to be holden, assembled by warrant of two magistrates,

when;

(a) (January—See 57 Geo. III. c 7, s 2)

for the purpose of choosing parish & town officers.

Election of a parish or town clerk.

Duties of his office.

Election and duties of assessors.

Election and duties of collector.

Election and duties of the overseers of the highways.
(b) (Twelve. See 45 Geo. III. c 6.)

be lawful, as soon as conveniently may be, after the passing of this Act, for any two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, acting within the division in which any parish, township, reputed township, or place may be, to issue their Warrant, giving eight days previous notice, to the Constable of such parish, township, reputed township, or place, authorizing him, on a day to be fixed by the said Justices in the present year, and on the first Monday in the month of March (a) in every ensuing year, to assemble the Inhabitant Household-ers, paying or liable to pay to any public assessment or rate of such parish, township, reputed township, or place, in the parish church or chapel, or in some convenient place within the said parish, township, reputed township, or place, for the purpose of choosing and nominating the parish or town officers hereinafter mentioned, to serve in their respective offices for the year next ensuing, at which Meeting the said Constable shall preside.

II. *And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said Inhabitant Household-ers, or the greater part of them so assembled, to choose one fit and proper person from among the Inhabitants to be Clerk of the said parish, town or township, who shall and is hereby required to make a true and complete List of every Male and Female Inhabitant within the limits of his parish, town or township, and return the same to the Justices acting as aforesaid, so as they may produce the said List at the General Quarter Sessions in the month of April to be holden; and the said Clerk shall and is hereby required, to enter and record all such matters, as shall relate to the said parish, town or township, and shall appertain to his office, which records shall be faithfully and carefully kept and preserved by such Clerk, and by him delivered to his successor duly nominated and appointed.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said Inhabitant Household-ers, in manner aforesaid, to choose two fit and proper persons, from among the said inhabitants, to serve the office of Assessors for the said parish, township, reputed township or place, who shall assess all such rates and taxes, as shall be imposed by any Act or Acts of the Legislature of this Province, and be payable by the Inhabitants thereof.

IV. And also to choose and nominate in manner aforesaid, one fit and proper person to serve the office of Collector for such parish, township, reputed township, or place, who shall and may, and is hereby authorized, from time to time, to demand and receive from the Inhabitant Household-ers, under the said assessment, such monies as may be due and payable from the said Inhabitants, in respect of the matters aforesaid, which Collector shall account for and pay over the monies so received by him, in such manner as shall be directed by any Act or Acts of the said Legislature, that may authorize the imposing and levying such rates and taxes respectively.

V. And also to choose and nominate in manner aforesaid, not less than two, or more than six (b) persons, as shall be specified in the Warrant to be issued by the said Justices, to serve the Office of Overseers of highways and roads, to oversee and perform such things as shall be directed by any Act to be passed, touching or concerning the highways and roads in this Province, which