

to claim the same, it shall and may be lawful for such persons having such dogs about his or her house as aforesaid, to kill them at any time after the said ten days.

V. *And be it further enacted*, That the collector or collectors of each respective district within this province, shall each keep a book and therein enter the names of every person in their several and respective districts keeping dogs and the number, with the tax, or sums collected by virtue of this act, and the same shall pay into the hands of the person or persons who shall be appointed to receive the same, in the several and respective districts or parishes in this province, to be by them applied for the use of their poor respectively, and the money arising from the tax aforesaid in the city of Saint John, shall be paid into the hands of a person or persons appointed by the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the said city, to be by them applied for the support of the poor of said city, and the money arising therefrom in the counties to be paid into the hands of a person or persons appointed for the purpose by the justices of the quarter sessions, to be applied for the support of the poor in their several and respective districts, each collector retaining in his hands two shillings in the pound for collecting and paying the same.

Collectors to enter in a book the names of all persons in their districts keeping dogs, their number, &c.

VI. *And be it further enacted*, That the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city and county of Saint John, and the justices of the quarter sessions in each of the other counties in this province respectively are hereby authorized to appoint a collector or collectors of the aforesaid tax in each county in this province, and if such collector or collectors shall neglect or refuse to do what is enjoined by this act, shall respectively, forfeit and pay the sum of five pounds to be recovered by plaint or information before any two of his Majesty's justices of the peace of the city or county where the offence shall be committed, with costs of suit, by any person or persons who shall prosecute the same to effect; one half to the prosecutor and the other half to the use of the poor of such county where the offence was committed.

Justices in sessions to appoint collectors.

Collectors to forfeit £5 for neglect of duty and costs.

VII. *And be it further enacted*, That the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city and county of Saint John and the justices of the quarter-sessions in each of the other counties respectively in this province, are hereby impowered and required to appoint one or more collector or collectors, as they may judge proper for their several counties who shall be vested with ample power and authority to collect the aforesaid tax, in their several and respective districts after the first day of May next, and be liable to the aforesaid penalties, if not collected by the first of September following.

Tax to be collected after first of May and collectors liable to the penalties aforesaid, if not collected before the first of September.

This act to be in force until the first day of May which shall be in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety.

Continuance of the act