

of this Act, by the issue of Provincial Debentures, to be repaid, both principal and interest, out of the proceeds of the said Lower Canada Municipalities Fund, which shall be and is hereby set apart for that purpose, after payment of the charges aforesaid.

Form of debentures.

5. The Debentures to be issued in virtue of this Act shall be in such form, for such separate amounts, either in sterling or currency at such rate of interest, not exceeding 6 per cent per annum, and shall be payable, principal and interest, at such time and places as to the Governor in Council shall seem most expedient, and as he shall from time to time prescribe ; and all monies forming part of the said fund, and applicable to the repayment of the said principal and interest, which shall not be immediately required for the purposes of this Act, shall be deposited in the Provincial Funds by the Receiver General, under the Direction of the Governor in Council. 5 10

Amount to each district.

6. A sum not exceeding five thousand pounds, to be fixed by the Governor in Council, taking into consideration the extent, population, business and other local circumstances of the district, may be appropriated out of the said Lower Canada Municipalities Fund, for the erection in each of the new districts of a Court House and Gaol in and for such district, and such sum may from time to time be advanced and paid to the Commissioners of Public Works by the Receiver General, upon the warrant of the Governor. 15 20

Municipalities may add to such appropriation.

7. Provided always that if the local municipalities included either wholly or in part in any new district, think proper to raise another sum to add to the amount allowed to the districts in virtue of the next preceding section, and to expend it with the said last sum in the erection of a more commodious Court House and Gaol, they shall be at full liberty to do so, and they enter into a mutual agreement,—by the intervention of their Mayors assembled at a meeting to be held at a time and place fixed by special notice given to the several Mayors, by three electors of the municipality requiring such meeting— as to the amount; and the proportion thereof to be raised in each said municipality, or part of a municipality, and the Council of each said municipality shall have full power to levy the sum so to be raised ; and if any local municipality shall think proper to raise a further sum independently of the other local municipalities in the district, it shall have full power so to do, and any such additional sum shall be employed and expended by the Commissioners of Public Works, in conjunction with the amount granted to the district, in virtue of the next preceding section. 25 30 35 40

Sites.

8. The local municipality in which the Court House and Gaol for a new district shall be erected, shall furnish a site suitable for that purpose, which shall be approved of by the Commissioners of Public Works, and which must also be freed from all charges ; and if the municipality fail to furnish such site when required so to do by the Commissioners, the said Commissioners shall be at liberty to accept any suitable which shall be given to the Crown for the said purpose, at or near the *chef-lieu*, or the Governor may by proclamation select some other place, at which a suitable site shall have been given, to be the *chef-lieu*, and the said shall thereupon be such *chef-lieu* to all intents and purposes as though it had been designated in the Schedule A annexed to this Act. 45 50