

Association to be formed in Montreal under the name of the Fire Society to be composed of thirteen Members.

How nominated.

The Clerk of the Peace to give notice of their appointment, and such persons to intimate their acceptance or rejection of the appointment.

Penalty in case of refusal.

In case of inability &c. of any Members, how replaced &c.

this Act, there shall be established in the City of *Montreal* an Association, to be named, "*The Fire Society*," which shall be composed of thirteen inhabitants, proprietors of real property in the said City, to be nominated and appointed as follows: that is to say, the Grand Jury of the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden at *Montreal* in the month of July, shall make out a list of twenty-six proprietors as aforesaid, to be by them presented to the Justices in the said Sessions, who therefrom shall select thirteen, whom they shall nominate and appoint to compose the *Association* or *Fire Society* to be established at *Montreal*, and annually thereafter, the said Grand Jury at such July Session, shall so make out and present to the Justices a List containing double the number of those who are to retire from office, from which list the said Justices of the Peace shall select, nominate and appoint the number of such proprietors required by this Act, to replace those members of the Society who so retire; and the Clerk of the Peace shall, within three days thereafter, cause to be given to each of the persons appointed, in person or at their respective domiciles, notice of their appointment, and every person so appointed, shall, within three days after such notice, intimate at the office of the Clerk of the Peace, their acceptance or rejection of such appointment, under a penalty, in case of neglect so to do, of _____ and each and every person so appointed, who not being exempted by this Act, shall refuse to perform the duties of his office, shall incur a penalty of _____ and in case of refusal, absence during three months, inability or death of any of the persons so appointed, happening after such general appointment, or in case of inability or other sufficient excuse on the part of any of the persons so appointed at such general appointment (of which inability or excuse the other Persons constituting the association shall be competent judges) there shall be chosen by a majority of the votes of the Persons composing the said association another or others in his or their stead which appointment shall be preceded by a notice from the Secretary by order of the President of the said association to each member thereof, specifying the motive for convoking the said association and the day, hour and place whereat the choice shall take place; and within three days thereafter the said Secretary shall give a written notice of his being chosen, to each person so chosen, either in person or at his domicile; and each person so chosen shall within three days after such notice intimate at the domicile of the Secretary his acceptance or