

CAP. XXX.

An Act to provide for the government and regulation of the House of Correction for the City and County of Saint John.

Passed 23d March 1839.

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Governor with
advice of Council
to appoint Com-
missioners for the
House of Correc-
tion.

To be sworn.

Commissioners by
a majority of votes
to decide all ques-
tions and manage
the business, three
constituting a quo-
rum.

Commissioners
empowered to
make regulations
for the House,
appoint Officers,
provide provisions,
&c. and enforce
their regulations.

Proviso.

Commissioners to
make annual re-
turns before the
1st of March for
the information of

I. **B**E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Executive Council, from time to time, to appoint not less than five, nor more than nine, fit and proper persons to be Commissioners for the House of Correction for the City and County of Saint John, of whom not less than two shall be members of the Court of Sessions of the Peace in and for the said City and County, and one a member of the Common Council of the said City of Saint John, and such Commissioners or any of them to remove, and others in their places from time to time appoint as afore-said; which said Commissioners shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, before any Justice of the Peace in and for the said City and County; and the said Commissioners shall meet from time to time at such place or places within the said City and County as may be for that purpose named, and then and there by a majority of votes of those present at any appointed meeting, decide all questions and manage all business touching the said House of Correction, and any three of the said Commissioners shall form a Board for the transaction of business, except as hereinafter provided; and that the first person named as Commissioner shall be Chairman of the Commissioners, and in case of his absence from any meeting, the Commissioners met shall out of their number choose a Chairman for the time being; and that the Chairman, or in case of his sickness or absence, any two of the said Commissioners shall have full power to summon a meeting of the said Commissioners for the transaction of business, by causing a notice to be left at the usual place of abode of each of the said Commissioners of the time and place of such meeting.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Board of Commissioners shall have full power and authority, at any and at all times to make such rules, orders and regulations for the good government and management of the said House of Correction, and of the several persons from time to time confined therein, as they shall find necessary, and shall and may from time to time nominate and appoint all requisite officers, servants and keepers in and about the same, and them and any of them to remove; and also shall and may provide such provisions, materials and things as they may judge necessary, as well for the support and maintenance as for the setting to work and employing the several persons that may therein be confined and imprisoned; and also shall have full power and authority to enforce the observance of the rules, orders and regulations which they may from time to time make, for the government and management of the prisoners in the said House of Correction, by solitary confinement or other reasonable punishment: Provided always, that at any meeting of the said Commissioners, at which any rule, order or regulation for the government and management of the said House of Correction, or of the prisoners therein being, may be made, or at which any officer, keeper or servant may be appointed or removed, there shall be not less than five Commissioners present; and the said Commissioners shall cause a record of all their proceedings to be kept in a book to be provided for that purpose.

III. And be it enacted, That the said Board of Commissioners shall annually before the first day of March in each and every year, cause a full, complete and perfect statement of the said House of Correction, and all persons therein, and the