and a large amount of the contributions made in the British Colonies and the United. States, remains in the hands and under the direction and control of His Excellency the Lieu-. tenant-Governor, to be distributed among the sufferers; and still further and larger sums raised in the Mother. Country, will probably be placed in his hands for the same purpose, And Whereas in order to make a just and proper distribution of these extensive Charities, it is necessary that a faithful inquiry should be made into the losses sustained by the persons who may have suffered by the said Fires.

I. Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That The Honorable GEORGE SHORE, The Honorable WARD CHIPMAN, HARRY PETERS, Esq. RICHARD SIMONDS, Esq. and THOS. HORSE-FIELD PETERS, Esq. shall be and they are hereby constituted Commissioners, for inquiring into the res-