

finest and forfeitures, to levy the same by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the person so offending; and that the produce of all compositions, penalties, fine and forfeiture, shall be applied towards the making or repairing of the public Roads and Bridges, within the Parish or Township where the same shall arise, and if any person shall refuse to pay the sum or sums payable by virtue of this act, for neglecting or refusing to obey the notice or summons of the Overseer the same being duly served within ten days after demand thereof made, such sum shall and may be levied by the Overseer, Constable or any person authorized by warrant under the hand and seal of one Justice of the Peace acting within the said Division, by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the person so refusing or neglecting, rendering the over plus to the Owner or Owners thereof, the necessary charges of making such distress and sale, being first deducted and in default of such distress it shall and may be lawful for any such Justice to commit the person so refusing to the common Gaol for any time not exceeding one month, unless the penalty, forfeiture, costs and charges, shall respectively be sooner by him paid.

XIX. And in order to prevent as much as possible any inconvenience to persons liable to work upon the Roads, Be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices in the said Parishes, Townships or Places respectively to appoint two periods or times in the year, within which no statute duty upon the Roads shall be performed; namely, one month in the Spring, commencing upon the twentieth day of April, and ending upon the twentieth day of May; and three months in the Summer commencing upon the first day of July and ending upon the first day of October in every year.

XX. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that after every fall of snow, by which any principal Highway leading through this Province shall or may be obstructed and the passage through the same thereby interrupted or hindered, it shall and may be lawful for the Overseers of the Towns, Townships or Parishes, through which the said Highway may run, and they are hereby required to order and direct such and so many as they shall deem necessary of the Freeholders or Housholders next adjoining the same, being possessed of a sleigh or sledge and team, to open a free passage through the said Highway, by driving or causing their sleigh or sledge to be driven over and through the said Highway.

XXI. And whereas it often happens, that after falls or drifts of snow, the Highways through several parts of this Province are so covered over as to leave no visible tract or path to guide Travellers, particularly where the said Highways pass through extensive cleared fields, or (for the sake of shortening the communication in winter) over and along rivers or bodies of frozen water; Be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that in such cases it shall and may be lawful for the Overseers, and they are hereby required to warn and direct the Housholders and Freeholders in such Parishes, Townships or Places respectively, to erect or set up Stakes or Beacons on each side of the said Highway Road or common path, so as to direct Travellers, particularly at night and in bad weather; and any Housholder or Freeholder neglecting or refusing to obey such summons, and perform such duty or labour, shall be liable to the same penalties fines and forfeitures as those or neglecting to perform their proportion of duty or labour on the Highway as herein before mentioned, and to be recovered in like manner.

XXII. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid that it shall and may be lawful for any two or more Justices of the Peace within their respective divisions, and they are hereby empowered from time to time, whenever they shall judge proper to hold any special Sessions besides that which is herein before directed in the month of March, for executing the purposes of this act, and to adjourn the same from time to time as they shall think fit, causing notice to be given of the time and place of holding such special Sessions and of the adjournments thereof to the several