

under the head of expenses, such portion of the annual and fixed salary assigned to them and to the said Criers, as shall correspond with the period comprised in the account so rendered; and after deducting therefrom their fixed salary, the remuneration of their deputies and clerks, and the salaries of the said criers by them paid as aforesaid, the said public officers shall respectively be entitled for their own use and benefit, to a commission of ten per cent. on the balance of the sums acknowledged by them in such account as remaining in their hands; and after the Inspector General shall have examined and approved such accounts, it shall be lawful for the said officers to retain the amount of the said commission, and to enter the same under the head of expenses in their next account.

70. The Inspector General shall keep distinct and separate accounts for each of the districts in Lower Canada, of that portion of the said special fund raised in such district, and an account thereof shall be rendered to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, of all monies paid in virtue of this Act out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province in the manner and form prescribed, and a statement thereof shall be laid before each branch of the Legislature at the next ensuing session.

Duty of Inspector General.

71. The Governor in Council shall, during the thirty days next preceding that on which this Act shall come into force, make and establish by proclamation tariffs of fees for all the said officers of justice, and he may afterwards from time to time revoke, alter and amend the same.

Tariffs of fees.

72. The deputies of the Clerk of the District Court residing at places other than the *chef-lieu* of the district, shall not receive any fixed salary, but shall be paid by fees and emoluments to be fixed by tariffs made therefor, and they shall themselves collect such fees and emoluments, which shall be the same as those hereinbefore referred to as allowed by the Governor to the Clerk of the District Court upon the proceedings in the Circuit Court.

Deputies not to have fixed salaries.

APPOINTMENTS, PREROGATIVES, AND DUTIES OF THE VARIOUS OFFICERS OF JUSTICE.

THE CLERKS.

The principal powers and duties of clerks over and above those now or which may be hereafter specially confided to them, and when the contrary is not specially enacted, comprise the following:

73. They shall be bound to keep offices and take charge of the Court Houses; to see that they are in good repair; and in places other than the *chef-lieu* of a district, if there be no public building set apart for the sittings of the Circuit Court, and in which to hold the offices of the said Court, it shall be the duty of the clerk or deputy-clerk residing nearest to the said Court to provide, under the direction of one of the Judges holding the said Court, some building, room, or place suitable for that purpose, and the cost of hiring, warming and keeping in order the said Courts and offices, and all the other necessary expenses for their suitable maintenance, shall be paid by the said clerk or deputy-clerk.

Clerks to keep offices, take charge of Court House, &c.