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wardens shall be nominated and appointed to succeed them, deliver in to such succeeding Church-wardens a just, true and perfect account in writing (fairly entered in a Book or Books to be kept for that purpose, and signed by the said Church-wardens) of all sums of money by them received, and of all sums rated or assessed or otherwise due and not received, and also of all goods, chattels, and other property of such Church or Parish, in their hands as such Church-wardens, and of all monies paid by such Church-wardens so accounting, and of all other things concerning their said office, and shall also pay and deliver over all sums of money, goods, chattels, and other things, which shall be in their hands, unto such succeeding Churchwardens, which said account shall be verified by oath before one or more of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, who are hereby authorized to administer the same, and the said Book or Books shall be carefully preserved by such Churchwardens, and they shall and are hereby required to permit any member of such Vestry, as aforesaid, to inspect the same at all reasonable times ; and in case such Church-wardens shall make default in yielding such account as aforesaid, or in delivering over such money, goods, or other things as aforesaid, it shall be in the power of the succeeding Church-wardens to proceed against them at Law for such default, and in case of the re-appointment of the same Church-wardens, then such account as aforesaid shall, in like manner as is aforesaid, be made and rendered before an adjourned meeting of such Vestry, fourteen days after such re-appointment.

Extraordinary meetings of Vestry,

Open to inspection.

> X. And be it enacted, that it shall be in the power of the Incumbent of any such Parsonage, Rectory, or Parish, as aforesaid, or of the Church-wardens thereof, to call a Vestry meeting whenever he or they shall think proper so to do, giving at least eight days notice thereof by proclaiming it in the usual manner in the Church, and by notice affixed to the outer door or doors of the said Church, as the case may be, and it shall be his and their duty so to do upon application being made for that purpose in writing, by six at least of the members of such Vestry, as aforesaid; and in case, upon such written application being made as aforesaid, such Incumbent and Church-wardens shall refuse to call such meeting, then, one week after such demand made, it shall be in the power of any six of such members of the Vestry to call the same, by notice to be affixed on the outer Church Door (or Church Doors, where more than one) at least one week previous to such intended meeting.

Chairman of Vestry meetings.

XI. And be it enacted, that in all Vestry meetings, the Rector or Incumbent of the Church shall preside as Chairman when present, and in his absence such person as the majority present at such meeting shall name, and the Vestry Clerk, when there is one and present, or in case there be no Vestry Clerk, or he be absent, then such person as the Chairman shall name shall be the Secretary of such Vestry