

VII. Out of the said sum of seventy five thousand pounds, there shall be set apart a proportionate sum, for the purpose of aiding the County Municipalities in those of the Districts mentioned in the Schedule in which no Court Houses and Gaols have at any time heretofore been built with funds belonging to this Province or to the Province of Lower Canada, and in which none will be built under this Act, in the construction of County Court Houses; and the sum so to be set apart shall bear the same proportion to that to be expended in those Districts in which Court Houses and Gaols are to be built under this Act, as the number of Rate-payers in the Districts for aiding which a sum is to be so set apart bears to that of the Rate-payers in the Districts in which Court Houses and Gaols are to be built under this Act.

Proportionate allowance to Districts where Court Houses are not built at public expenses.

VIII. And in order to the apportionment in the next preceding Section mentioned, it shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurers of the Municipalities in the several Districts in which no Court Houses or Gaols have been heretofore built with funds belonging to this Province or to the Province of Lower Canada, on or before the first day of *July* next after the passing of this Act, to transmit to the Receiver General a true Return of the number of Rate-payers appearing on the several Valuation Rolls of the said Municipalities, then last completed and in force, and to make an affidavit, to be written on each the said Returns, and sworn before a Justice of the Peace, of the correctness of such Return.

Provision for apportioning such allowance.

Duty of Treasurers.

IX. Any Secretary-Treasurer of any of the said Municipalities who shall fail to make any Return required by the next preceding section of this Act, by the time therein limited, shall be liable for each failure to a penalty of to be paid to the Receiver General for the use of the Province, which penalty may be sued for and recovered by the Crown in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

Penalty for default.

X. In case it should at any time appear that by reason of an erroneous return, too much money has been expended in or set apart for any District or County, the error shall be corrected by debiting or crediting the proper District or County, or if it be too late so to correct the error, the excess expended in or paid to any District or County, shall be recoverable as a debt due to the Crown from the County or Counties concerned.

Money paid through incorrect information to be refunded.

XI. The Districts referred to in this Act shall be understood to be those mentioned in the Schedule thereto; but nothing herein contained shall be construed as altering the limits of the present Districts for judicial purposes, or for any purpose except that of preparing, by the construction of the requisite buildings, for the future reorganization of the judicial system in Lower Canada.

Interpretation.