'with: And whereas the labours to be performed by the Assessors of Taxes in the City and Parish of Saint John, and in the Parishes of Simonds, Lancaster and Saint Martin's, for the past year, as also by the Assessors of Taxes in the Parish of Portland in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty two, were so great as to prevent a strict compliance with the requisites of the said Acts, and the Assessors have thereby become deprived of any legal right to remuneration for the arduous duties performed by them; for remedy whereof,

Justices in Sessions authorized to compensate the Assessors of Taxes in the City and Parish of Saint John, and Parishes of Simonds, Lancaster, and Saint Martin's, for 1843, and of Portland for 1842.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Justices of the Peace in and for the City and County of Saint John, in General Sessions assembled, to make an order for the payment of due compensation to the Assessors of Taxes in the said City and Parish of Saint John, and in the Parishes of Simonds, Lancaster and Saint Martin's, for the past year; and to the Assessors of Taxes for the Parish of Portland for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty two, out of the monies raised and collected for that purpose, in the same manner as if the said Assessors had in every respect strictly complied with the provisions of the said Acts.

## CAP. IX.

2 W. 4, c. 36. An Act to amend an Act, intituled An Act to regulate Vessels arriving from the United Kingdom with Passengers and Emigrants.

Passed 25th March 1844.

Preamble. 2 W. 4. c. 36.

THEREAS by an Act made and passed in the second year of the Reign ' of the late King, William the Fourth, intituled An Act to regulate 'Vessels arriving from the United Kingdom with Passengers and Emigrants, it is 'enacted, that the master or person having charge of any vessel or ship, which ' may arrive at any Port or place in this Province, from any port or place in the 'United Kingdom, with Passengers and Emigrants, shall, at the time of reporting 'such ship or vessel, pay to the Treasurer of the Province, or any Deputy Trea-' surer at the port or place where such ship or vessel may arrive, the sum of five 'shillings for each and every such Passenger and Emigrant, when the master or 'person having charge as aforesaid, shall make it appear by a certificate from 'the Officers of the Customs at the Port of clearance, in the United Kingdom, ' that such ship or vessel had the sanction of His Majesty's Government to take 'out Passengers and Emigrants to the North American Colonies; and when no ' such certificate is produced to the said Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer (as the ' case may be), then and in such case the master or person having charge of such 'ship or vessel as aforesaid, shall pay to the said Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer 'the sum of ten shillings for each and every Passenger and Emigrant on board 'such ship or vessel: And whereas great difficulty has heretofore been expe-'rienced by the Owners of ships, and Emigrant Agents, in procuring from the 'various Officers of Customs in the United Kingdom, such certificates as would ' enable them to escape the payment of the said increased or double head money, 'no Imperial Act being in existence to compel them to give such certificate: And 'whereas, by a late Imperial Act, passed the twelfth day of August, one thousand ' eight hundred and forty two, in the fifth and sixth year of the Reign of Her present 'Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled An Act for regulating the carriage of Pas-'sengers in merchant vessels certain new rules and regulations are thereby 'enforced upon all ships or vessels carrying Passengers and Emigrants, and ' which must be complied with, under pain of certain penalties therein and thereby 'enforced: