

issued as last aforesaid, shall be cancelled and destroyed by the Treasurer and the said Commissioners, or any two of them, in the presence of the Governor and Council; a correct list of the numbers, dates, and amounts of such Notes being made and preserved by the Commissioners, —a copy whereof shall be laid before the Legislature at the commencement of the then next Session.

VIII.—*And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, from time to time to appoint one or more Commissioner or Commissioners, in place of any Commissioner or Commissioners dying, resigning, departing from this Island, or becoming otherwise incapable of performing the duties of his or their Office. Governor to supply vacant places of Commissioners.

IX.—*And Whereas* by certain Acts of the Legislature, various sums of Money have been taken up on Loan, at Interest, for the general purposes of the Colony, and Debentures have been granted for the same; and Debentures have likewise been granted for other large sums of Money due by the Colony to various parties under other Acts of the Legislature; and it is desirable to make further provision for the effective reduction of the Public Debt: Enactment respecting debentures granted for monies due by the Colony.

*Be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the Governor or Person Administering the Government for the time being, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Council, to set apart, half yearly, the produce of the additional duty upon Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into the Port of Saint John's, granted and imposed by the Twenty-third Section of an Act passed in the Tenth Year of Her Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her Majesty's Reign, entitled 'An Act to Regulate the Rebuilding of the Town of Saint John's, and the Drainage and Sewerage of the same,' and to Repeal certain Acts therein mentioned," and to appoint, from time to time, Three Commissioners, who shall be authorized to apply and appropriate the produce of the said Duty, and also such sum or sums of Money as shall be equal to the amount of Interest saved by the reduction, from time to time, of the Public Debt, in the further reduction of such portions of the Public Debt payable at future days and times, and in the calling in and discharge of such Debentures as aforesaid, as, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Council, he shall deem most advantageous for the public service: *Provided always*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed in any manner to dispense with the regular discharge, at the times limited for payment thereof, of such portions of the Public Debt as shall become due and payable from time to time, in pursuance of the provisions of the several Acts for raising Loans for the general purposes of the Colony, above mentioned. Duty imposed by 10th Vic. cap. 1. to be set apart and appropriated in reduction of public debt. Proviso.