

UPPER CANADA.

22. Subject to the provision hereinafter made as to Counties divided into Ridings—

1. The High Sheriffs for the time being of the several Counties and Unions of Counties for judicial purposes in Upper Canada, shall be *ex officio* Returning Officers for the Counties and Unions of Counties for purposes of Representation in the Legislative Assembly, over which or over any County in which, their authority as such Sheriffs extends, and in which they respectively reside, and also for the respective Cities and Towns sending Members to the said Assembly and lying within the local limits of such Counties or Unions of Counties; And for the several other Counties or Unions of Counties for the purpose of Representation in the said Assembly, for which no Sheriff is under the foregoing provisions *ex officio* the Returning Officer, the Registrars of Deeds for the time being for such Counties or Unions of Counties, or for any of the Counties included in such Unions of Counties, shall be *ex officio* Returning Officers:

In Upper Canada Sheriffs to be Returning Officers for Counties, Unions of Counties and Cities, &c.

And if no Sheriff, the Registrar of Deeds.

2. So long as the County of Peel remains united for judicial purposes to the County of York, the Sheriff of that County or of the Union of which it is a member, shall be *ex officio* Returning Officer for the County of Peel as well as for the County of York and the City of Toronto; 14, 15 V. c. 108, s. 2.

Provido as to the County of Peel, &c.

3. And if in any case there is more than one person who may under the foregoing provisions be *ex officio* Returning Officer for any place, then the Writ of Election may be directed to either of them, and the person to whom it is directed shall alone act as such Returning Officer; and if in any case it happens that Writs of Election issue at the same time, or so nearly at the same time that the one is not returnable before the other or others issue, for several places for which the same person would, under the foregoing provisions, be *ex officio* Returning Officer, then only one of such Writs shall be directed to such person, and the other or others to such other person or persons, qualified in the manner provided by the twenty-fifth section of this Act, as the Governor shall appoint to be the Returning Officer or Officers; 14, 15 V. c. 108, s. 2—*part*.

If there is more than one person who may act as Returning Officer, Writ may be directed to either, but one alone to act.

4. In each of the Counties in Upper Canada which are divided into Ridings, the High Sheriff or Registrar of Deeds, who would under the preceding provisions of this section be the Returning Officer for such County, shall be the Returning Officer for the Riding thereof first named in Chapter two of these Consolidated Statutes of Canada; and where there is a High Sheriff who is Returning Officer for the Riding first named as aforesaid, the Registrar of Deeds for the County shall be *ex officio* the Returning Officer

Provision with regard to Counties in Upper Canada divided into Ridings.