

directed shall alone act as such Returning Officer; and if in any case it shall happen that Writs of Election shall issue at the same time, or so nearly at the same time that the one shall not be returnable before the other or others shall 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 fifth section of the said Act, as the Governor shall appoint to be the Returning Officer or Officers."

If there be no
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cer. Governor
to appoint one.

III. And be it enacted, That if in any case it shall happen, either in Upper or in Lower Canada, that there shall be no person, who, under the provisions of the said Act and of this Act, shall be *ex officio* Returning Officer for any place for which an Election is to be held, or the person who is such Returning Officer shall be absent from the Province, or incapacitated from sickness or otherwise from performing the duties of Returning Officer, then it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint any person qualified under the said fifth section of the said Act to be Returning Officer for such place.

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