

No Vote to be scrutinized, unless marked "objected" when given.

Sheriff, &c. empowered to summon parties before him on Scrutiny, and to examine them on Oath.

Place where return of proceedings to be made.

Sheriff, &c. to execute an Indenture to Candidate elected.

Expense of Scrutiny how paid, and by whom.

Mode of enforcing payment of expenses of Scrutiny.

sist in such demand: Provided always, that no Vote shall be scrutinized unless such Vote or Votes shall have been marked "objected" at the time of taking down such Vote or Votes in the Poll Books; and the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall, and he is hereby required and empowered, to summon all such persons before him as may be required by any Candidate or Candidates, or any Elector or Electors, on his or their behalf, for the purpose of enabling him to proceed in such Scrutiny, and to examine them upon Oath; and after all such Votes as were requested as aforesaid to be scrutinized have been gone through, or in case there shall not have been any Scrutiny, then, after the Candidate or Candidates shall have been declared duly elected, the said Returning Officer shall make a due Return of all proceedings, together with the Poll Books and Writ of Election, to the Colonial Secretary's Office—on the back of which said Writ of Election shall be written or endorsed the name or names of such Candidate or Candidates as shall have been duly elected; and the said Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall execute to each and every Candidate so elected an Indenture, agreeably to the form in Schedule (D.), to this Act annexed—a copy of which Indenture shall be returned by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer to the said Colonial Secretary's Office: and the said Sheriff or other Returning Officer is hereby empowered to ask and demand of each of the Candidates in whose favour the objected Votes have been given, and for the decision of which a Scrutiny has been granted, the just and proper share or part of the expenses incurred by such Returning Officer and Poll Clerks, in prosecuting the said Scrutiny, over and above the expense attending the summoning and attendance of Witnesses of the said Candidate; and in case any such Candidate shall neglect or refuse to pay his share of the expenses as aforesaid, the said Returning Officer is hereby empowered to prose-