

SUMMONING THE JURY.

6. There shall be an interval of at least six days between the service of a summons upon a juror summoned to serve before any Court of Criminal Jurisdiction, and the day upon which he is called upon to appear, except when such juror is
 5 summoned as one of a special or supplementary panel; but it shall be the duty of the Sheriff to cause the jurors mentioned in every ordinary panel made by him for the first or any other day of any term, to be summoned at least fourteen judicial days before the term or session of such Court, to afford
 10 time for the summoning of additional jurors in the place of those who have either not been summoned or who have given notice of their intention to claim exemption;

Delay between summons and attendance, in Criminal cases.

2. If the party prosecuted is entitled under this Act to be tried either in whole or in part by persons skilled in the language of his defence; and if from the number of challenges or
 15 from any other cause, there is in any such case a deficiency of such persons, the Court shall fix another day for the trial of such case; and the Sheriff shall supply the deficiency by summoning for the day so fixed, such additional number of Jurors
 20 skilled in the language of the defence as the Court may order, and as are found inscribed on the List of Petit Jurors next in succession after the Jurors already summoned for the term or Session at which such trial is to be had;

Deficiency of Jurors how supplied.

3. In every District, the Sheriff, before summoning persons to serve therein as Grand or Petit Jurors shall inquire of the Clerk of the Crown or the Clerk of the Peace, as the case may be, whether there are any Criminal cases to be tried at the next term or session of any Court of Criminal jurisdiction to be held therein:—and he shall not summon any Grand or Petit
 30 Jurors for such Court, unless he is thereupon informed that such Jurors are required; but every such Court shall nevertheless meet at the time fixed by law; and if thereupon it appears to the Court to be necessary for the investigation or trial of any case coming before such Court, the Court may then direct the
 35 Sheriff to summon the usual number of persons to serve as Grand or Petit Jurors before that Court on any day to which it may be adjourned; and all proceedings had at and before such adjourned Court, shall be as valid as if had at or before such Court at the ordinary time of holding it; and any Judge or
 40 persons holding such adjourned Court shall adjourn the same from day to day, so long as there is any business before it; but the above provision shall in no way prevent the Court from proceeding in the absence of Grand or Petit Jurors, to the despatch of such business as does not require the intervention
 45 of either of them;

Jurors not to be summoned if no case appears to be tried.

If such cases should afterwards arise.

4. Of the Grand and Petit Jurors summoned to serve before any Court holding criminal jurisdiction at the Cities of Quebec
 Half the Jurors summoned to