

Where the
Circuit
Judges shall
reside.

Their number
limited.

How vacancies
shall be filled.

Circuit Judges
to be Chairmen
of Quarter
Sessions.

act as such in any part of Lower Canada, but the Districts and places in and at which they shall respectively reside, and in which they shall ordinarily act, shall be from time to time appointed by the Governor, but this shall not prevent their acting in other places or Districts whenever circumstances shall require them so to do : provided that at least one of the said Circuit Judges shall reside at Three-Rivers, in the District of Three-Rivers, and at least one of them at Sherbrooke, in the District of St. Francis, and at least one of them at New Carlisle, in the District of Gaspé, and at least one of them at Percé, in the said District, and at least one of them at in the District of Ottawa after the Proclamation establishing the said District shall have issued, and at least one of them at in the District of Kamouraska, after the Proclamation establishing the said District shall have issued, and at least one of them at Chicoutimi in the Circuit of Saguenay, and the others shall respectively reside at the City of Montreal, or at the City of Quebec : And the total number of the said Circuit Judges in office at any one time shall not be more than

XLV. And be it enacted, That whenever any of the Circuit Judges appointed before or after the time when this Act shall come fully into effect, shall die, resign or be removed, or suspended from office, or whenever, from any cause, the number of Circuit Judges shall be or become less than the number fixed in and by the next preceding section, and it shall be deemed expedient to fill the vacancy thus existing, it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province, by an instrument under the Great Seal thereof, to appoint a proper person to be a Circuit Judge for Lower Canada ; and all such Circuit Judges appointed before or after the passing of this Act, shall be *ex officio* Justices of the Peace, and shall act as Chairmen of the General or Quarter Sessions in and for the several Districts in