

II. RECOGNIZANCES.

shall report to the House that the recognizances to such Petition are unobjectionable; and every such report shall be final and conclusive to all intents and purposes, and the Chief Clerk of the said House shall make out a list of all Election Petitions on which the Speaker has reported to the House that the recognizances are unobjectionable, in which list the Petitions shall be arranged in the order in which they are so reported upon, and a copy of such list shall be kept in the office of the said Chief Clerk, and
 10 shall be open to the inspection of all parties concerned or interested in the same.

List to be kept
by Clerk.

III. ADMISSION OF PARTIES TO DEFEND.

XXV. And be it enacted, That if at any time before the appointment of a Select Committee as hereinafter provided to try any Election Petition, the Speaker of the
 15 Commons House of Legislative Assembly shall be informed by a certificate in writing, subscribed by two of the Members of the said House, of the death of any sitting Member whose Election or return is complained of in such Petition, or of the death of any Member returned
 20 upon a double return, whose Election or return is complained of in such Petition, or that a Writ of Summons has been issued under the Great Seal of the Province to summon any such Member to Parliament as a Legislative Councillor of the Province, or if the said Commons House
 25 of Legislative Assembly shall have resolved that the seat of any such Member is by law become vacant, or if the House be informed by a declaration in writing, subscribed by any such Member and delivered to the Speaker within *fourteen* days after the day on which any such Petition
 30 was presented, whether such *fourteen* days or any of them shall occur during a Session of Parliament or during a Prorogation thereof, that it is not the intention of such Member to defend his Election or return, in every such case, notice thereof shall immediately be sent by the
 35 Speaker to the General Committee of Elections, and to the Members of the Chairmen's Panel hereinafter mentioned, and also to the Sheriff or other Returning Officer for the County, Riding, City, Town, Borough or place to which such Petition relates, and such Sheriff or other
 40 Returning Officer shall cause a true copy of such notice to be affixed in some conspicuous place in or near to the place where the nomination for such election was held; and such notice shall also be inserted by order of the Speaker, in one of the next two Government Official
 45 Gazettes of the Province, and shall as soon as may be, be communicated by him to the House.

Proceedings
where the con-
tested seat
becomes
vacant or the
sitting Member
declines
defending it,
before the ap-
pointment of
the select
Committee.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That at any time within *fourteen* days after the day on which any Election Petition was presented, or within *twenty-one* days after the

Voters may
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