

Certain parties
exempted from
serving

VII. And be it enacted, That none of the persons hereinafter mentioned in this section, unless they be such Sheriffs or Registrars, or Town Clerks or Assessors, shall be obliged to act as such Returning Officer, or Deputy Returning Officer, or as such Election Clerk or Poll Clerk, that is to say :

1st.—Physicians and Surgeons.

2nd.—Millers. 10

3rd.—Postmasters.

4th.—Persons being sixty years of age, or upwards. 12

5th.—Persons who shall have previously served as Returning Officers. 14

Penalty on
parties not ex-
empted, refus-
ing to serve as
Returning
Officers

VIII. And be it enacted, That every Sheriff or Registrar, and every other person having the qualifications required by this Act for acting as Returning Officer, who shall refuse to perform the duty of Returning Officer at any such Election as aforesaid, after having received the Writ of Election, shall for such refusal incur a penalty of currency of this

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Province, unless such person, not being a Sheriff or Registrar, and having a right to claim the exemption granted by the next preceding section, shall in fact have claimed such exemption within two days next after the receipt of such Writ of Election. 30

Duty of the Re-
turning Offi-
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of Election

IX. And be it enacted, That each Returning Officer shall on receiving the Writ of Election, forthwith endorse thereon the date of its reception ; and within eight days next after the day of such reception, he shall by a Proclamation under his hand, issued in the English Language in Upper Canada, and in the English and French Languages in Lower Canada, and in the form A of the Schedule annexed to this Act, fix the place, day and hour, at which he will proceed to hold the Election ; and he shall cause such Proclamation to be posted up, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, at least eight days before the day which by such Proclamation he

Proclamation
Its form and
contents

Posting up of
Proclamation