

Rank and pre-
cedence of
Judges.

Barrister of at least ten years' standing in
Upper Canada to be Chief Justice of the said 2
Court, and two persons being Barristers of
not less than ten years' standing in Upper 4
Canada to be Puisné Judges thereof, and from
time to time to supply any vacancy in the 6
number of the said Judges; and the Chief
Justice of the said Court of Common Pleas 8
shall have rank and precedence next to the
Chancellor of Upper Canada, and the 10
Puisné Judges of the Superior Courts of
Common Law and Equity in Upper Canada 12
shall have rank and precedence as between
themselves according to seniority of appoint- 14
ment to their respective offices.

Recital.

Act of U. C.
7. W. 4. c. 1.

Court of Q.
B. to consist
hereafter of a
chief Justice
and two puisné
Judges.

Two of the
puisné Judges
of Q. B. to be
transferred to
the court C. P.

III. And whereas in an Act of the Par- 16
liament of the late Province of Upper Ca-
nada passed in the seventh year of the 18
Reign of His late Majesty King William
the Fourth, intituled, *An Act to increase the* 20
present number of Judges of His Majesty's
Court of King's Bench in this Province, to 22
alter the terms of sitting of the said Court,
and for other purposes therein mentioned," 24
it is recited, That an addition to the number
of the Judges of the said Court had become 26
indispensable owing to the great increase of
population and the formation of new Dis- 28
tricts; and whereas two additional Judges
were appointed under the said Act: And 30
whereas it appears that the business of the
said Court of Queen's Bench may be 32
effectually performed by a Chief Justice
and two Puisné Judges, in consequence of 34
the erection of the Court of Common Pleas
hereby established and the erection of an 36
efficient Court of Appeal as hereinafter
provided: Be it enacted, That notwithstand- 38
ing any thing in the said last recited Act con-
tained, the said Court of Queen's Bench 40
shall from and after the passing of this Act,
be presided over by a Chief Justice and two 42
Puisné Justices; and it shall and may be
lawful for Her Majesty to transfer such two 44
of the Puisné Justices of the said Court of
Queen's Bench as to Her Majesty may seem 46
meet from the said Court of Queen's