

- High Criminal Court.** 27. The High Criminal Court shall be presided over by one or more of the Judges of the District Court, or by one or more of the Judges of the Court of Appeal.
- Discharge of *deliberé*.** 28. Any Judge, and any one Judge of any Court, even if he be recused, may discharge a cause from *deliberé* if such proceeding become necessary. 5
- Appointment of Judges.** 29. Every Judge not of the District Court and of the Court of Appeal, shall be appointed by Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, by letters patent under the Great Seal of this Province.
- Substitution of Judges.** 30. Whenever any Judge either of the District Court or Court of Appeal shall be called to discharge any duties or functions as such, and such Judge shall be prevented by any of the causes mentioned in the thirty-first section of this Act, or by any other legitimate cause, he may be replaced in the discharge of such duty or functions by a Judge of the same Court, and failing such Judge, by one of the Judges of the other Court, and all the powers and duties of the Judge so replaced shall belong in such case to the Judge who shall have so replaced him. 10 15
- Assistant Judges.** 31. Whenever a Judge of the District Court or of the Court of Appeal shall by any cause of recusation, incompetence, disqualification, sickness, absence or otherwise, be unavoidably prevented from or incapable of acting, and he cannot be replaced by any of the Judges called upon so to do in the manner prescribed by the thirtieth section of this Act, the Governor may in his discretion appoint, by a commission under the Great Seal of the Province, a person competent to be the assistant of such Judge, either for a fixed time or for such time as the latter shall be prevented from or incapable of acting or fulfilling his duties, and for no longer; Provided nevertheless, that in the cases contemplated by this section and the foregoing, the Judge who shall have been summoned to take the place of any other Judge as assistant or otherwise, shall have all the powers of the Judge so replaced with respect to any cause or proceeding commenced before him, until it be terminated or decided, if it be possible so to do, without recommencing the proceedings which shall have been had before him. 25 30
- 20 Vic., cap 44, sec. 18. 35
- Their powers.** 32. Any Assistant Judge shall, during the period of his appointment, have all the powers and authority, and shall fulfil all the duties of the Judge whose assistant he shall have been appointed. 16 Vic., cap. 13.
- Other functions of Judges.** 33. Every Judge of the Court of Appeal and of the District Court shall be *ex officio* a Justice of the Peace, or conservator of the peace, and Coroner for the whole of Lower Canada. 40
- Term of office.** 34. Every Judge (not an assistant) of any of the Courts established by this Act, shall retain office during good behavior, and his commission shall be so made out. 45
- Removal of Judges.** 35. It shall be lawful however for the Governor of this Province,