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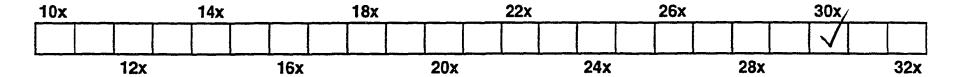
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2nd Session, 7th Parliament, 26th Victoria, 1863.

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An Act to amend the Election Law, and to provide for the holding of any General Election of members of the Legislative Assembly, on the same day throughout the Province.

Received and read, first time, Friday, 27th February, 1863.

Second reading, Monday, 2nd March, 1863.

Hon. Mr. Dorion.

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PRINTED FOR THE CONTRACTORS BY HUNTER, ROSE & LEMIEUX, ST. URSULE ST. An Act to amend the Law respecting Parliamentary Elections, and to provide for the holding of any General or periodical Election on the same day throughout the Province.

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Preamble. Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. From and after the passing of this Act, the nomination of candi-Speakers to dates and the taking and recording of the votes at any election of a fix the day of 5 Member of the Legislative Council or Assembly, shall take place on and polling days to be fixed by the Speaker of the Legislative Council, if it be for days. the election of a Legislative Councillor, or by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, if it be for the election of a member of that House; and in the event of their absence or of vacancy in the offices, then by 10 the Secretary of the Province.
- 2. The day fixed for the nomination of candidates, and the days Days to be fixed for the taking and the recording of the votes, shall be the same the same for all the electoral divisions which may then have to proceed to one of the Province the periodical elections of members of the Legislative Council or to a at any General speneral election of members of the Legislative Assembly.
 - 3. The nomination of candidates shall take place within thirty days Periods withfrom the date of the writ of election, and the first day for the taking in which such and recording of the votes shall be fixed within the ten days immediates ately following the nomination of the candidates.
- 4. The days fixed for the nomination of candidates and the taking Days to be and recording of the votes, shall be stated in the writ of election; and mentioned in whenever the Returning Officer cannot proceed to the election on the days mentioned in the writ, he shall, without delay, make a special return (which he shall verify upon oath before a Justice of the Peace,) New writ of the election forth the reasons which have prevented him from proceeding to the election, and upon that return, which the Clerk of the Crown in on such days. Chancery shall communicate without delay to the Speaker of the Legislative Council or Assembly, as the case may be, or to the Secretary of the Province in their absence or in the case of vacancy, other days for the nomination of candidates and for the taking and recording of the votes shall be again fixed in the manner prescribed by the first section of this Act, and another writ of election shall be issued for the County or electoral division in which such election shall not have been had.
- 5. Every Returning Officer who shall neglect or refuse to proceed to Fine for non-35 the election of a member of the Legislative Council or Assembly on the compliance days stated in the writ of election addressed, shall be liable to a fine with this Act. not exceeding \$500,
- 6. Such fine may be recovered in any Court of competent civil juris- How recoverdiction at the suit of the Attorney or Solicitor-General, or of any elec-able. 40 tor duly qualified to vote at such election.