

No. LVII.

An Act to regulate the admission in certain cases of Barristers of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. [17th June, 1848.]

BARRISTERS'
ADMISSION.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision in certain cases for Preamble. the admission of properly qualified persons to practise as Barristers of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Be it enacted Board for the admission of qualified persons to practise as Barristers appointed. by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof That the Judges of the Supreme Court at Sydney the Attorney General for the time being and two Barristers of the Supreme Court to be annually elected in the month of December for the year then ensuing by the practising Barristers of the said Court shall form a Board for the approval of properly qualified persons to be Barristers of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and that the said Board shall as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act and from time to time as may appear to them to be expedient make and promulgate rules for the examination of candidates in the Ancient Classics both Greek and Latin in Mathematics in Law and in such other branches of knowledge as they shall deem meet and that the said Board may from time

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time to time depute the examination of such candidates to such persons as they shall consider competent to examine such candidates subject to the payment of such reasonable fees to the examiners respectively as the said Board shall order to be paid by such candidates Provided that two Barristers shall be elected members of the said Board within three months after the passing of this Act for the remainder of the present year.

No candidate to be admitted unless of good character.

Proviso.

Candidates approved by the Board to be admitted as Barristers.

Notice to be given by the Attorney General of meetings of the Board.

2. Provided always and be it enacted That no candidate however qualified in other respects shall be admitted to be a Barrister of the said Supreme Court unless the said Board shall be satisfied that he is a person of good fame and character Provided always that nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to the admission of Barristers of England or Ireland or Advocates of Scotland.

3. And be it enacted That every candidate whom the said Board shall approve as a fit and proper person to be made a Barrister shall be admitted as a Barrister of the said Supreme Court by the Judges in open Court on such day as shall be appointed for that purpose any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

4. And be it enacted That no meeting of the said Board nor any meeting of the Bar for the election of such two members of the Board shall be holden without notice in writing previously given by the said Attorney General to each member of the said Board (or to each practising Barrister as the case may be) three days at the least before the day of meeting specifying therein the time and place of meeting and that the acts and resolutions of the majority of the Board or Barristers present at any meeting so called shall have effect and be binding as the acts and resolutions of the whole body Provided that every such notice may be given by leaving the same at the party's chambers or usual residence.