

## No. XXXVI.

An Act to enable the Governor to appoint a QUARTER SESSIONS  
CHAIRMAN.  
Chairman of General and Quarter Sessions in  
default of the election of such Chairman by  
the Magistracy and for other purposes therein  
mentioned. [27th December, 1852.]

**W**HIEREAS by an Act of Council passed in the third year of the Preamble.  
reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria numbered ten provision  
is made for the annual election at a certain time and in a certain  
manner of a Chairman of the several Courts of Quarter Sessions  
within the Colony by the Justices of the Peace of the said Colony but  
no provision has been made by law for the appointment of a Chairman  
of General or Quarter Sessions in case no such election should be  
made in any year by reason whereof inconvenience may arise Be it  
therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South  
Wales by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council  
thereof as follows :—

1. Whenever it shall have happened in any year that no Chair- Governor to appoint  
Chairman in default  
of election and in  
case of death absence  
&c. of Chairman so  
appointed.  
man of General or Quarter Sessions shall have been elected for the  
ensuing year at the proper time or in the manner appointed for such  
election by the said recited Act it shall be lawful for the Governor to  
appoint such Chairman for the ensuing year and also in case of  
the death resignation removal illness or absence or expected absence  
from any of the Courts of General or Quarter Sessions of any Chair-  
man appointed under the provisions hereof to nominate and appoint  
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some other person to be and act as such Chairman in his place and stead for the remainder of the current year or for such less period as occasion may require.

Governor may appoint a person having competent legal knowledge to act as Chairman at every Court of General or Quarter Sessions.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time to appoint as occasion may require some person having a competent knowledge of the law to be and act as Chairman at any Court of General or Quarter Sessions in the place and stead of any Chairman appointed under the provisions of the recited Act or under the first section of this Act.

Such Chairman in absence of other Justices may act as if two or more were present.

3. Such Chairman shall in the absence of other Justices have full power to do alone whatever may be done by two or more Justices sitting in General or Quarter Sessions.

In absence of Chairman other Justices to have power to open and adjourn on day appointed for General or Quarter Sessions and to proceed to business on following day.

4. And whereas doubts have been entertained whether in case of the absence of the Chairman from any Court of General or Quarter Sessions at the time proclaimed for holding the same such Court can be duly opened and adjourned or the business thereof be proceeded with Be it therefore declared and enacted That in any such case it shall be lawful for any two Justices of the Peace to open and adjourn such Court to the following day and in case such Chairman shall then continue absent it shall be lawful for the Justices assembled on such following day to choose a Chairman for the said Session and thereupon to proceed to the dispatch of the business thereof.

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