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No. 20.

ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble Short Title. Governor may appoint Deputy Returning Officer.

3. When Deputy to Act.
4. This Act to be deemed part of Regulation
of Elections Act 1858 and to apply to Provincial Elections.

An Act for the amendment of "The Title. Regulation of Elections Act 1858." [14th **December** 1863.]

THEREAS great inconvenience has been felt in the conduct Preamble. of Elections from the death absence or incapacity to act of Returning Officers and it is expedient to make provision for such cases:

Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled and by the authority thereof as follows:-

- I. The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Regulation of short Title. Elections Act Amendment Act 1863.
- II. It shall be lawful for the Governor by Warrant under Governor may appoint his hand to appoint a fit person to act in the place of any officer. Returning Officer for the Election of Members of the House of Representatives in case of the death illness or unavoidable absence of such Returning Officer and every person so appointed shall during the time he shall so act have all the powers and privileges and perform all the duties and be subject to all the responsibilities of the Returning Officer for whom he shall have been appointed to act.

III. Whenever any Returning Officer shall die the person When Deputy to act. appointed to act as aforesaid shall act as Returning Officer from the day of such death and in case of illness or absence shall act from such day as such Returning Officer (or in case of illness incapacitating him to do so) his medical attendant shall certify under his hand to the person appointed as aforesaid to act for him that he is ill and unable to perform his duties or that he is about to be

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absent and such person shall cease to act as such from the day on which he shall receive from the Officer for whom he acts a certificate under his hand to the effect that such Officer has resumed his duties No Returning Officer shall have power to act during such term as the person appointed as aforesaid to act for him shall be lawfully acting.

This Act to be deemed part of Regulation of Elections Act 1858 gulation of Elections Act 1858 and to apply to Provincial Elections.

IV. This Act shall be deemed to be part of the "The Regulation of Elections Act 1858" and shall apply to the Elections of Superintendents and Members of Provincial Councils.

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