

EXECUTIVE.

- Title.** *An ACT to establish an Executive Government for the Province of Wellington.*
- Session I., No. 1.]** [Assented to 3rd November, 1853.]
- Preamble.** **B**E it enacted by the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof as follows:—
- Superintendent.** 1. The entire administration of the Provincial Executive Government shall be vested in the Superintendent alone acting by and with the advice of an Executive Council to be appointed as is hereinafter provided.
2. He shall keep and use officially the public seal of the Province.
3. The present Superintendent shall provide a public seal for the Province with such device and inscription as he may think fit and the same shall not be subject to change except by an Act of the Provincial Legislature—until such seal shall be procured he may adopt and use such temporary seal as he may deem fit.
- Secretary.** 4. There shall be a Secretary for the Province who shall keep a record of and attest all official Acts and proceedings of the Superintendent.
- Solicitor.** *5. *There shall be a Solicitor for the Province who shall be the legal adviser of the Superintendent. (Repealed.)*
- Treasurer.** 6. There shall be a Treasurer for the Province who shall receive and pay all monies payable for the uses and on behalf of the Province.
7. No public money shall be paid by the Treasurer unless the warrant for the payment thereof shall have been signed by the Superintendent and registered in the Secretary's Office.
8. The Treasurer shall before entering on the duties of his office give bond with a sufficient penalty or other security for the faithful discharge of his trust to and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent.

*This clause is repealed by Act Sess. XX., No. 4.

9. The Treasurer shall not during his continuance in office engage in any business trade or commerce nor act as a broker nor as agent or factor for any merchant or trader.

*10. *The office of Treasurer may be held by the Secretary for the Province until the Superintendent shall see fit to order otherwise.* (Repealed.)

11. There shall be an Executive Council.

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12. The Secretary *Solicitor* and Treasurer of the Province shall be members of such Executive Council.

†13. The Superintendent may also appoint any other person or persons not exceeding two to be members of such Executive Council.

14. The Secretary *Solicitor* Treasurer and other members of the Executive Council shall be appointed by and hold office during the pleasure of the Superintendent.

Appointment
of Secretary,
&c.

15. The offices of Secretary *Solicitor* and Treasurer for the Province shall upon the election or re-election of every Superintendent *ipso facto* become vacant.

To become
vacant, when.

16. The Superintendent shall from time to time by and with the consent of the Executive Council as aforesaid constitute all such other offices as he shall deem expedient for carrying on the business and affairs of the Province and fill up the same and also all existing offices whenever a vacancy shall occur therein with fit and proper persons. He shall also have full power to suspend and remove any officer from his employment for neglect of or inattention to his duty or for other just or sufficient cause.

Superinten-
dent may es-
tablish offices.

17. The Superintendent shall prescribe rules for transacting the business of the several offices of the Province and from time to time alter the same as to him may seem meet.

And prescribe
rules, &c.

18. If any person (other than the Secretary *Solicitor* and Treasurer of the Province or other members of the

Officer dis-
charged may
appeal.

*This clause is repealed by Act" Sess. VI., No. 2.

†See Clause 3 "Executive Government Amendment, Sess. VI., No. 2."

a. See Clause 3 "Executive Government Act Amendment Act, 1871," Sess. XX., No. 4. The Clauses 12, 14, 15 and 18, are to be read as if "Solicitor" had been omitted therefrom.

Executive Council) shall deem himself aggrieved by his suspension or removal from office he may present a petition to the Executive Council showing that he has been suspended or removed from office without just or sufficient cause and praying for an investigation into the ground or charge on which he may have been suspended or removed.

Commence-
ment of Act.

19. This Act shall come into operation from and after the passing thereof and may be amended during the present session.