

Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1851. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1851.

14 Victoria – Chapter 25

An Act relating to Grand Juries in this Province. Passed 30th April 1851.

Whereas it is deemed advisable to vest the nomination of the Foreman of Grand Juries in the members of the Grand Jury Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, upon the meeting of any Grand Jury summoned to attend any Court in this Province, and upon their being called over in open Court, under the direction of the presiding Justice, the said members of the said Grand Jury shall retire to their jury room, under the charge of the Sheriff or his Deputy, and shall then and there by a majority of votes of those present, nominate one of their number to be their Foreman; and upon such nomination the said Sheriff or his Deputy shall declare in open Court the name of the person so nominated, who shall thereupon be appointed by the Court to be the Foreman of such Jury, and shall be duly sworn as such; provided always, that in case of an equal division of the Jury upon such nomination, the Sheriff or his Deputy shall have a casting vote; and in case no such nomination shall be made and declared as aforesaid within one hour from the time of the opening of the Court, the Foreman shall be appointed by the Court as heretofore accustomed.