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An Act for regulating the Coroners of the County of *Durham*. [15th *July* 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act for separating the Palatine Jurisdiction of the County Palatine of* Durham *from the Bishoprick of* Durham, the Palatine Jurisdiction, Power, and Authority heretofore vested in and belonging to the Bishop of *Durham* was separated from the Bishoprick of *Durham*, and was transferred to and vested in His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, His Heirs and Successors: And whereas previously to the passing of the said Act the Coroners for the said County of *Durham* were appointed by the said Bishop, and it is necessary that Provision should be made for the future Appointment of the Coroners of the said County, and for their due Remuneration: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the present Coroners of the Four Wards, respectively called *Easington* Ward, *Chester* Ward, *Stockton* Ward, and *Darlington* Ward, in the said County of *Durham*, shall continue Coroners of the same Wards respectively during their respective Lives, or so long as they shall respectively well behave themselves; and that upon and after the Death, Removal, or Resignation of the Coroner either of *Easington* Ward or of *Chester* Ward (which Two Wards form the Northern Division of the said County of *Durham*) a Coroner shall be

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Present Coroners to continue.

Election of future Coroners.

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chosen for each of such Wards in the Place of the Coroner making a Vacancy, and so from Time to Time on every future Vacancy of the Office of Coroner of either of the said Wards, the Coroner of each of the said Wards to be chosen by its own Freeholders in like Manner as Coroners are chosen in the Case of other Counties or Divisions of Counties in *England*; and that after the Death, Removal, or Resignation of the Coroner either of *Stockton* Ward or of *Darlington* Ward (which Two Wards form the Southern Division of the said County of *Durham*) a Coroner shall be chosen for each of such last-mentioned Wards in the Place of the Coroner making a Vacancy, and so from Time to Time on every future Vacancy of the Office of Coroner of either of the said last-mentioned Wards, the Coroner of each of such Wards to be chosen by its own Freeholders in like Manner as Coroners are chosen in the Case of other Counties or Divisions of Counties in *England*: Provided always, that on every Vacancy of the Office of Coroner in any of the said Wards, and until the Appointment of another Coroner in his Place, it shall be lawful for any of the remaining Coroners to act as Coroner for the Ward in which such Vacancy may have occurred.

In case of Vacancy.

Coroners liable to be removed.

II. And be it enacted, That the Coroners of the said County of *Durham* shall be liable to be removed from their respective Offices in the same Manner as Coroners of the other Counties in *England* and *Wales*.

Coroners to be entitled to usual Fees and Emoluments.

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III. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the Coroners of the said County of *Durham* shall be entitled to all the same Fees and Emoluments as the Coroners of the other Counties in *England* and *Wales*; and so much of an Act passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act for giving a proper Reward to Coroners for the due Execution of their Office, and for the Removal of Coroners on lawful Conviction of certain Misdemeanors*, as provides that no Coroner of the County Palatine of *Durham* shall be entitled to any Fee, Recompence, or Benefit given to or provided for Coroners by that Act, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

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