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finer which, during the preceding month, he may have been ordered by any Judge of the Supreme Court to collect or which it may otherwise be his duty to collect. Such return shall show whether such fines have been collected or not, and shall also show the whole amount which may at the time of making the return remain due to the Sheriff on account of fines, and the names of the parties from whom such amount may be owing.

12. For the purpose of this Ordinance the word "Governor" shall be taken to include the Lieutenant-Governor or the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony for the time being. Interpretation.

No. V.

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the Appointment and Duties of Coroners in the Colony of New Zealand. CORONERS.

[15th October, 1846.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that provision should be made to regulate the appointment and duties of Coroners in the Colony of New Zealand: Preamble.

BE IT ENACTED by the Lieutenant-Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. It shall be lawful for His Excellency the Governor from time to time by warrant under his hand to appoint provisionally, subject to Her Majesty's confirmation, fit persons to be Coroners of the several counties or districts (as the case may be) of the Colony. All persons so to be appointed as aforesaid and all persons now acting as Coroners shall hold their offices during pleasure. Power of Governor to appoint Coroners.

2. It shall also be lawful for the Governor to define the districts within which the jurisdiction of the Coroners shall respectively be exercised, and the limits of such district from time to time to alter as occasion may require. And to define their districts.

3. Each Coroner shall upon his appointment take an oath well and faithfully to execute the duties of his office, which oath any Justice of the Peace is hereby authorized to administer. Oath to be taken.

4. Every person acting as Coroner, or to be appointed to that office under the authority of this Ordinance as aforesaid, shall have all such powers and privileges and be liable to all such duties and responsibilities as any Coroner by law hath or is liable to in England. Their powers and duties.

5. For the purpose of this Ordinance the word "Governor" shall be taken to include the Lieutenant-Governor or the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony for the time being. Interpretation.