

delivery, and other commissions for the dispatch of civil and criminal business, should be holden; and to order and direct such assizes and sessions for the dispatch of criminal and civil business to be holden at more than one place in the same county on the same circuit; and to order and direct the assizes and sessions under such commissions for the dispatch of criminal business to be holden for the whole county at one place; and for the dispatch of civil business at one or more place or places in such county on the same circuit; and further to order and direct any special commissions of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery to be holden at any one or more places in any such county:

And it was further enacted, that in case We, by and with the advice of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, should think fit to order and direct that the assizes, or any such special commissions, should be holden at more than one place in any one county, it should be lawful for Us, by and with the advice aforesaid, to divide any such county for the purposes of the said Act, and to make rules and regulations touching the venue in all cases, civil and criminal, then pending, or thereafter to be pending, and to be tried within any division of such county so to be made as aforesaid; and touching the liability and attendance of jurors, whether grand jurors, special jurors, or common jurors, at the assizes and sessions as aforesaid, or at any sessions under any special commissions to be holden within any such division; and touching the use of any house of correction or prison as a common gaol, and the government and keeping thereof; and touching the alterations of any commissions, writs, precepts, or other proceedings whatsoever for carrying into effect the purposes of the said Act; and touching any other matters that might be requisite for carrying into effect the purposes of the said Act; and all such rules and regulations should be of the like force and effect as if the same had been made by the authority of Parliament, and should be notified in the London Gazette, or in such other manner as We, by and with the advice of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, should think fit to direct:

And it was further enacted, that We should have power from time to time, for the purpose of carrying the said Act into effect, to order and direct that the Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster should be holden at any one or more places in the county palatine of Lancaster, as we should think fit, and to divide the said county palatine for the purpose of the trial of civil causes and the transaction of other civil business in the said court; and to make the like rules and regulations touching the venue in civil cases to be tried within any division of the said county, and the liability and attendance of jurors, whether special or common, at the court to be held within any such division; and touching the alterations of commissions, writs, precepts, or other proceedings for carrying into effect the purposes of the said Act; and touching any other matter that might be requisite for carrying into effect the purposes of the said Act; and all such rules and regulations should be of the like force and effect as if the same had been made by the authority of Parliament, and should be notified in the London

Gazette, or in such other manner as We should think fit:

And whereas we have been graciously pleased, by and with the advice of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, by an Order in Council, bearing date on the twenty-fourth day of June instant, to order and direct that the assizes and sessions held under commissions of gaol delivery, and other commissions for the dispatch of civil and criminal business, for the county palatine of Lancaster, heretofore holden at Lancaster, shall hereafter be holden on the same circuit both at Lancaster and Liverpool, in the said county palatine:

And have also ordered the said county to be divided, for the purpose of carrying the said recited Act and that Order into effect, into two divisions, which are respectively to be called the Northern Division and the Southern Division; and that such Northern Division shall include the whole of the several hundreds of Lonsdale, Amounderness, Leyland, and Blackburn; and that such Southern Division shall include the whole of the respective hundreds of Salford and West Derby:

And whereas divers other regulations are made by the said Order; but it is expedient, in order to carry the same into complete effect, and to accomplish the purposes of the said Act, so far as relates to the civil business to be transacted at the assizes to be so held at Lancaster and Liverpool as aforesaid, to make further regulations touching the Court of Common Pleas for the said county palatine of Lancaster:

We do, therefore, order and direct, that the Court of Common Pleas for the said county, heretofore held at Lancaster, shall be holden both at Lancaster and Liverpool, at the respective times fixed for the holding of the said assizes and sessions; and that the said county palatine be divided, for the purpose of the trial of civil actions, and the transaction of other civil business in the said court, into the two divisions aforesaid:

And We do further order and direct, that every declaration hereafter to be filed or delivered in any action in the said Court of Common Pleas, shall have in the margin, besides the ordinary venue, the words "Northern Division," or "Southern Division," but no other alteration from the ordinary form shall be necessary, and issues arising in such actions, if tried at the assizes, shall accordingly be tried at the assizes held at Lancaster and Liverpool respectively:

Provided nevertheless, and We do further order and direct, that in all cases of civil actions in the said Court of Common Pleas, in which the venue is by law local, the issues therein shall be tried at Lancaster, in cases where the cause of action shall have arisen in the northern division; and at Liverpool where the cause of action shall have arisen in the southern division, in like manner as if the two divisions were two separate counties, and the declarations in such actions shall have in the margin, in addition to the ordinary venue, the words "Northern Division," or "Southern Division," as the case may require, but no other alteration from the ordinary form shall be necessary:

Nevertheless, it shall be lawful for the said Court