



# Metropolitan Police Act 1856

## 1856 CHAPTER 2

### **II Power to appoint Two Assistant Commissioners of Police, who, by virtue of such Office, shall be Justices of certain Counties herein named.**

It shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Warrant under Her Sign Manual, to appoint Two fit Persons to be during Her Majesty's Pleasure Assistant Commissioners of Police of the Metropolis, and upon every Vacancy in the Office of any such Assistant Commissioner in like Manner to appoint some other Person to such Office; and every such Assistant Commissioner shall by virtue of and during the Continuance of such Appointment be a Justice of the Peace of the Counties of *Middlesex, Surrey, Hertford, Essex, Kent, Berkshire, and Buckinghamshire*, and of all Liberties therein, and execute the Duties of a Justice of the Peace for the said several Counties and for all Liberties therein, although he may not have the Qualification by Estate required by Law in the Case of other Persons being Justices of the Peace for Counties : Provided always, that no such Assistant Commissioner shall act as a Justice of the Peace at any Court of General or Quarter Sessions, or in any Matter out of Sessions, except for the Preservation of the Peace, the Prevention of Crimes, the Detention and Committal of Offenders, and in carrying into execution the Purposes of this Act and the said recited Acts.