§ 52. Transfer of persons and charges. (1) Except as provided in this section, no charge, complaint or person brought before one judge of the court sitting as a magistrate shall be sent before another such judge, or any other magistrate, except for adequate cause, to be fully and at once entered upon the records kept by the respective clerks and signed by the judge, and no person shall be committed or recommitted for examination save for necessary cause, to be then clearly stated upon the record; the hearing upon any charge shall not be adjourned to another day without the reason therefor being entered upon such record, nor shall any charge be dismissed or any prisoner discharged without record thereof made as above provided.

(2) Illness, absence or other inability of a judge, or the occurrence of a vacancy in his office, shall be adequate cause, without entry upon the record, for any transfer included in the preceding subdivision of this section, if the judge or other magistrate appearing in his place shall elect to proceed.