

make regulations respecting officers and their duties. Any such regulation printed by the Queen's Printer, or signed by the Provincial Secretary, shall be held as authentic proof. Officers may be removed from one branch of revenue service to another, but cannot be compelled to serve in any other public or local or municipal office, on a jury, or in the militia. (NOTE.—But see Act of Parliament of Canada respecting Militia, &c., section 17, it having exclusive authority in this matter). Unless otherwise ordered by the L. G. in C. all revenue officers are subject to the treasury department. All moneys to be paid in to the credit of the Treasurer in manner directed by the L. G. in C. Cash books to be posted up every day, and all books and accounts to be open at all times to the inspection of any person sent by the Treasurer. All duties and powers appertaining to the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at the time of union, and such other as may be assigned by law or the L. G. in C., belong to the Treasurer. An Asst.-treasurer and Auditor are to be attached to the department. Accounts to be kept in dollars and cents. The fiscal year from 30th June to 30th June. An annual statement to be prepared as soon as possible after the close of each fiscal year for legislature. All unexpended balances of appropriation to lapse and be written off. Surplus revenue on hand at any time to be invested in Dominion Securities. Temporary loans to supply deficiencies may be effected at a rate not higher than 6 p. c. Moneys to be drawn under warrant of the Lt.-Governor by official check on some bank signed by Treasurer or Asst., and countersigned by Auditor. All institutions supported by the Province are to make quarterly returns and accounts with vouchers, and failing to render satisfactory accounts, payment to them may be stopped. Institutions receiving grants must make yearly returns and such further statistical statements as may at any time be required. Municipalities indebted to the municipal loan fund must make an annual return of the amount of "moveable" (i. e. rateable) property therein, according to the last assessment rolls, and of their debts and liabilities, and such further information as the Lt. G. in C. may from time to time require. Unless otherwise ordered such returns are to be transmitted to the treasury. A board of audit is provided for with similar powers as that of the Dominion Government, to consist of the Asst.-treasurer, Auditor, and such other deputy heads as are designated by the Lt.-Gov. The duties of the Auditor are also substantially the same as those of the same officer at Ottawa, and the remaining provisions of the Act are also almost identical with the Dominion Act.

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Cap. 10.—Provides for the appointment of a Minister of Public Instruction, to be a member of the Executive Council and eligible to the Assembly or capable of holding a seat in the Legislative Council. He may hold also any of the other offices enumerated in section 134 of the Confederation Act. He is to have a secretary and assistant secretary under him, and such portion of his duties as he cannot discharge in person may be delegated by the L. G. in C. to one of them or another officer of the department. Whenever the L. G. in C. deems it expedient he need not appoint a Minister (i. e. parliamentary head) but instead may replace the department under a Superintendent of Education. The minister need not give security, but the secretaries and other officers having to deal with the accounts of the department must do so. His duties are to be those of the superintendent (except as above) and also to provide for schools for adults, workmen and mechanics, certain powers of the former minister of agriculture respecting boards of arts and manufactures and mechanics' institutes being transferred to him, to collect and publish statistics respecting educational, literary and scientific institutions, and the bestowal of patronage upon and affording assistance to science, art and literature, and institutions formed for promoting them.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR.

Cap. 11.—Provides for the appointment of a Provincial Secretary and Registrar, with all the duties and powers of the Secretary and Registrar of the late Province of Canada, not taken away by the Union Act, and such further duties as may be assigned him by the L. G. in C. Also for the appointment of an Assistant Secretary and a Deputy Registrar.

ASSISTANT LAW OFFICER.

Cap. 12.—Provides for the appointment of an Assistant to the law officers of the Crown, who may be appointed a member of the Board of Audit.

THE QUEEN'S PRINTER AND OFFICIAL GAZETTE.

Cap. 13.—Provides for the appointment of a Queen's Printer, who is to publish the laws and a *Quebec Official Gazette*, in which are to be inserted all advertisements or documents which by law are ordered to be published unless otherwise prescribed by law. Publications relating to Provincial matters ordered to be made by any law and especially by articles 603, 648, 703, 768, 770, 914, 951, 954, and 974 in the *Canada Gazette*, are, after arrangements are completed for the publication of such *Quebec Official Gazette*, to be published in it. All official publications by the Queen's Printer are authentic, making proof of themselves.

CONTINUING ACT.

Cap. 14.—The Acts 2 Geo. IV, cap. 8; 2 Geo. IV, cap. 10; 4 Geo. IV, cap. 26; and 9 Geo. IV, cap. 32 of the Parliament of Lower Canada; and the Acts 7 Vic., cap. 10; 9 Vic., cap. 3; 12 Vic., cap. 18; and 13 and 14 Vic., cap. 20 (for certain purposes), and 28 Vic., cap. 20 are continued.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Cap. 15.—Provides for the appointment and continuance of powers of Justices of the Peace, with power of revocation of appointments by the Lieut.-Governor.

JURORS IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Cap. 16.—Exacts that firemen and those engaged in running steamers, or railway trains, or grist mills, are not to be exempt hereafter from serving as jurors, unless they have deposited their certificates of exemption or affidavits of occupation with the sheriff before he summons them. He is not to summon them when they have so deposited their claims. Nor any member of the Government or Parliament of the Dominion, or Government or Legislature of the Province, or any other person whom he knows to be exempt. Those other exemptions may be claimed four days after summons supported by affidavit. In addition to the assessment valuation roll, which Secretary-Treasurers of Municipalities have heretofore been bound to furnish to the sheriff, they must furnish a list of non-residents, of those entered more than once, and every six months a list of those who have died or removed since his last report, and all corrections of the list made meantime for electoral or other purposes. The sheriff is to amend his roll accordingly, informing the court and prothonotary of such amendments, the latter also to make same corrections. The counties of Compton and Richmond are to pay the same contributions under sub-section 12 of sec. 15, cap. 109, Con. Stat. L. C., as if a court house and gaol were erected within their limits. Sec. 16 of that Act is repealed.