

JUDGE IN EQUITY.

Cap. 5—Enacts that any Judge in Equity, to be hereafter appointed, shall have precedence relative to the Puisne Judges of the Superior Court, according to the date of the respective appointments. Repeals s. 7 of c. 125 Rev. Stat., and makes all appeals from Equity Judge direct to Supreme Court.

SUPREME COURT SITTINGS.

Cap. 6—Amends c. 123 Rev. Stat., so that the Spring Sittings of Supreme Court shall commence at Lunenburg on 1st Tuesday of June, at Liverpool 2nd Tuesday of June, at Barrington, 3rd Tuesday of June, and at Tushet 4th Tuesday of June.

LAW OF EVIDENCE.

Cap. 7—Amends Evidence Law, so that in actions by or against executors or administrators it shall not be competent for any of the parties to such actions or their wives to give evidence on his own behalf of any dealings, transactions or agreements with deceased, or of any statement or acknowledgments made or words spoken by him, or of any conversation with him, provided that such parties shall be competent and compellable to testify on behalf of any such executor or administrator. Does not affect existing suits.

SUPREME COURT SITTINGS IN HANTS.

Cap. 8—Renders s. 5 of c. 123 Rev. Stat., and s. 36 of c. 136 Rev. Stat., applicable to sittings of Supreme Court for Hants County, and to c. 5 of Acts of 1868.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS.

Cap. 9—So amends c. 113 Rev. Stat. (2nd series) "of Registry of Deeds," that the fee of 50 cents mentioned in s. 29 shall hereafter be paid by the grantee on registry of grant, and not from the general revenues.

PARTITION OF LANDS.

Cap. 10—So construes c. 139 Rev. Stat. as to make one process available for division of lands situate in different counties.

OF SHIPPING AND SEAMEN.

Cap. 11—S. 26 of c. 75 Rev. Stat. amended by adding the words, "Except that the application therefor may be made at any time before the return day of the summons, provided sufficient time shall be given to the justices to issue a *venire*, and have such jury summoned."

CAPIAS.

Cap. 15—Amends Act of 1865, so that affidavits for *capias* in Magistrates' Court shall state that defendant is about to leave the county," instead of "to leave the country."

BIRDS AND ANIMALS.

Cap. 16—Amends c. 92 Rev. Stat. "of the Preservation of Useful Birds and Animals." Any J. P., Constable or Revenue Officer may seize hides attempted to be exported under s. 7 c. 32 Acts of 1867, and J. P. is to issue warrant, and same are to be sold, unless within ten days they are proved not liable to forfeiture. Appeal to Sup. Court on giving bond. Proceeds of sale to go to informant.

LISTS OF ELECTORS.

Cap. 17—Legalizes revisors' list of electors throughout the Province for the present year.

ASSESSMENTS.

Cap. 18—Legalizes assessments throughout the Province for the present year.

POOR ASYLUM.

Cap. 19—Lieut.-Governor may borrow \$20,000 for the completion of the Poor Asylum, for the repayment whereof the Provincial revenue is pledged.

EXTENDING ACT.

Cap. 20—Ss. 2 and 4 of c. 14 of Acts of 1868 are extended to the whole Province.

POST ROADS.

Cap. 21—Extends provisions of c. 59 Rev. Stat. to main Post Road from New Glasgow to Sherbrooke and Wine Harbor, and to Main Post Road from Baddeck to Big Baddeck Glen, and thence to North River, St. Anne's.

LOCAL AND PRIVATE ACTS.

Cap. 27—Provides that the CITY COUNCIL OF HALIFAX, on Nov. 1st, 1869, and each succeeding 1st day of Nov., shall select from that body 6 members (Mayor may be one) to be Commissioners of Schools for the said city; in conjunction with Commissioners appointed by Government; such Commissioners to hold office for one year only, but to be eligible for re-election. The 6 Aldermen elected Oct. 28, 1868, shall retire from the Board of Commissioners, and be replaced by the 6 Commissioners to be appointed as before mentioned. Vacancies by death, retirement, or otherwise, to be filled as soon as may be.

Cap. 28—Amends c. 96 of Acts of 1867, so as to enable the Commissioners, under s. 1 of said Act, to borrow \$6,000 in addition to the \$4,000 authorized by said Act.