

person refusing to appear or give evidence, and reported to either House, may be committed for contempt during any portion of the session. A summons may be signed by the chairman or any two members of the committee. Power for the above purposes must be granted by the resolution of either House appointing the committee. Members of either House need only attend or give evidence with permission of such House. Witnesses are allowed reasonable expenses paid on certificate of the chairman by warrant of the L. G.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS.

Cap. 34.—Proof of the execution of any instrument for registration may be made by declaration or affirmation. Where that is legal, registrar's copy of the registry of a will may be given in evidence of the proof thereof; notice, with a copy, being served on the adverse party fourteen days before.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL ACTS.

Cap. 35.—Divides the PARISH OF ST. STEPHEN, in Charlotte, setting off a new parish or mission, included in the following limits:—From the foot of King Street, and the bank of the St. Croix, westwardly, along said bank to Hitchings' Corner, and back from said river, northwardly, to the line between the parishes of St. Stephen and St. James. G. Maxwell and J. Boulton to be churchwardens; and all persons of 21 years of age, freeholders and subscribers of \$4 to the funds of the mission, have a right to vote. The glebe or other lands now belonging to St. Stephen's are to continue in its possession.

Cap. 36.—Authorizes the RECTOR, CHURCHWARDENS, AND VESTRY OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH, at Westfield, to sell during 1870 any or all of their glebe lands, or those granted them for church purposes, notice thereof being posted on the church door, and published in the royal *Gazette* for three months. The proceeds to be invested in Dominion or Provincial Debentures.

Cap. 37.—The Act of 13 Vic., TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF A DISORDER EXISTING IN PARTS OF GLOUCESTER AND NORTHUMBERLAND, is extended to 1st May, 1880.

Cap. 38.—Alters the time of the second semi-annual meeting of the COUNCIL OF SUNBURY, to the 2nd Tuesday in July.

Cap. 39.—Incorporates, as the CARLETON (St. John) BRANCH RAILROAD CO., E. Sutton, A. Cushing, L. C. Littlehall, R. Salter, J. McLachlan, D. W. Clark, J. Willson, R. W. Knight, G. J. Chubb, F. O'Mahony, Z. Adams, J. Clark, T. G. Allan, W. Black, T. M. McLachlan, J. Stackhouse and W. J. McCordock, with power to build a railway from any point in Carleton, to the Western Extension of the European and North American railroad, at or near Fairville, in the parish of Lancaster. Capital \$100,000, in \$20 shares. Any three corporations may call a meeting and organize the co., when \$5,000 are paid in. The city of St. John may take stock for \$40,000, and issue 40 years' debentures. The road to be commenced within one year, and completed within three years.

Cap. 40.—Grants \$15,000 in aid of the CARLETON BRANCH RAILWAY,, \$5,000 to be paid when \$20,000 has been expended on it, \$5,000 when another \$20,000 is expended, and the remainder when the road is completed. The L. G. in C. may issue 6 p. c. debentures of not less than \$400 each.

Cap. 41.—Grants aid to railways from WOODSTOCK TO EDMUNDSTON OR LITTLE FALLS, running as near as may be in the valley of the St. John, and an extension thereof from WOODSTOCK TO ST. MARY'S (York). The L. G. in C. may grant to any person or company, undertaking and able to build it, 10,000 acres of ungranted lands in the countries through which the road passes—25,000 to be granted as soon as \$100,000 is expended, and so on *pro rata*—together with wild lands needed for the track, sidings and stations. The lands to be exempt from local taxation for ten years after granted. The survey to be commenced within two years, and construction within three.

Cap. 42.—Authorizes the COUNTY OF CARLETON to grant \$1,000 for survey of a railway through it, to run from WOODSTOCK TO RIVIÈRE DU LOUP.

Cap. 43.—Authorizes the WOODSTOCK RAILWAY CO. to build as many branches as they see fit, within the county of Carleton.

Cap. 44.—Revives the ALBERT RAILWAY CO.'S charter, with power to commence the road within 2 yrs., and complete it in 5 yrs.

CONNECTING RAILWAY LINES.

Cap. 45.—Revives the act respecting the connection of railways and working of connecting lines, except as regards railways belonging to the Dominion.

EXEMPTIONS OF RAILWAYS FROM TAXATION.

Cap. 46.—Exempts the property of the Western extension of the European and North American Railway Co., and the roadway, rolling stock, station houses, &c., and other property, used in running trains of all other railways, from municipal taxation.

Cap. 47.—Authorizes the inhabitants of the LOWER DISTRICT OF ST. STEPHEN, to grant a bonus of \$15,000 to the HOULTON BRANCH RAILWAY CO., 6 p. c. 20 yrs. debentures to be issued