Legislation of 1871-72-Quebec.

costs. Oppositions must be accompanied by affidavit of the truth of the allegations in them. The applicant for confirmation of title may retain the amount of any hypothecary claim which he has against the property, according to the registrar's certificate, not paying it into the hands of the prothonotary, but giving security instead, The proceedings against corporate bodies, or upon prerogative writs, are somewhat simplified. The Circuit Court in any County may be done away with by proclamation of the L.G. Balliffs serving Circuit Court executions need not elect a domicile for the judgment creditor. Appealable Circuit cases, pending at Quebec and Montreal on the 24th Dec., 1870, and still pending, become Superior Court cases. The Circuit Court sits on every juridical day, unless adjourned over certain days by the judge holding it. The Superior Court consists of a Chief Justice, and 20 Puisne Judges—the new one to be appointed to reside in Montreal; 6in all to reside there. The Circuit Courts (except in the cities) in the Districts of Montreal and Quebec, have the same jurisdiction as in other Districts.

# SALE OF PROPERTY OF MINORS, &c.

Cap. 7.—The expensive formalities of the Code are dispensed with in the case of properties of minors and others incapable of acting for themselves, when the property is worth less than \$400. After summary inquiry as to value, a judge may order said property to be sold by auction. Witnesses as to value may be summoned without cost, and notices in the *Gazette* and other papers dispensed with, at the discretion of the Judge or Court.

#### MUNICIPAL CODE.

Cap. 8.—Any territory having 300 inhabitants, and leaving 300 in the municipality after separation from it, may be made a separate municipality. Travelling traders selling by auction, and pedl3rs, as being obliged, and traders, merchants, &c., if any, bound to take out a Provincial License, need not take out a municipal license, the qualineation of a local councillor is not dependant on the revision of the valuation roll provided by c. 3 of the Code. The local valuation roll may be amended by the Council in years in which a new one is not made, and Acts 746 and 927 are amended acc rdingly. Notice of the day and hour of the hearing of a petition or appeal from a local, by a County Council must be given to "he local body. Where a by-law of a local incitor County Council is to be approved

inclior County Council is to be approved of by the electors, the Mayor or local officer presiding in a parish or township meeting must ask 3 times at reasonable intervals if it is approved of or disapproved. If there seems to him any division of opinion and one elector asks a poll it must be granted. All electors of the local municipality are deemed to have voted "yea" or "nay" if the meeting is unatimous and must be so reckoned by the Warden (in case of a County By-law) in summing up the votes. The Mayors of local councils of the Island of Orleans, in the County of Montmorency, form a County Council, to be designated a No. 2, apart from the Municipality No. 1 on the north shore of the St, Lawrence. Single track winter roads imay be 7 ft. in width between "ballzes" instead of 15, and double 5 each instead of 10, as prescribed by the code. Valuators

are not to be fined for refusing to do the duty when notified. A municipality may make a by-law to ald an Agricultural Society, within the limits assigned to which the nunicipality is. The responsibility of municipal and other corporations, subscribers of stock in a Railway Co., is limited in like manner as that of an individual.

### DISTRICT MAGISTRATES.

Cop. 9-The amount of the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts in civil matters is \$50and this also in lessors and lessees cases. The L. G. in C. may appoint any place for the holding of a magistrate's court and appoint a clerk thereto. Costs may be awarded according to the Circuit Court tariff. Service of process may be made in Saguenay by any literate person-the return to be made on affidavit. Fees in all cases, 20 cts. for service and 10 cts. per mile one way only; services on several only to count for one journey where that only is necessary. Execution against immoveables may issue upon judgments for over \$40, addressed to the sheriff and returnable to the Superior Court, as from a Circuit. The L. G. in C. may direct a District Magistrate to hold a Court in another District than that for which he was appointed-motire thereof being given through the *Quebec Official Ga*zette,--he having the same powers there as in his own District.

#### JURIES, &c.

Cap. 10—The panel of Grand and petit jurors shall be drawn, half English and half F ench in all districts where juries half English and half French have heretofore been granted under 27 & 28 V., c. 41.

### CONTINUED ACTS.

Cap. 11—Continues (subject to any amendment, &c. by Acts of the present session) 2 Geo. IV, c. 8, (Seigneurie of Laprairie de la Magdelenne), 2 Geo. IV. c. 10, (Seigneurie of La Baie St. Antoine or La Baie du Febvre), 4 Geo. IV., c. 26, (do., do.), 9 Geo. IV, c. 82 (Fief Grosbois in St. Maurice) till the end of the Session of 1873.

## EDUCATION.

Cap. 12—The city of Quebec need only raise annually for educational purposes a sum equal to the government grant and 50 p. c. more. The City Corporation may settle arrears by paying \$5,600 to the Protestant Board of Comrs, and a proportionate sum to the R. C. Board (less any amount previously over-paid or improperly paid) if it be done before the 23rd April; if not, the whole claim revives. Payment may be made in 7 p. c. 10 yrs. debentures. The two boards, or either of them, may, upon requisition sent in before lst Jany. in any year, procure a sum equal to that formerly authorized (l. e. 8 times the amt. of the Govt. grant) to be levied for that year by the Corporation upon its own panel and panel No. 3 provided for in 32 V., c. 16. That levied on No. 3 to be divided between the Wards although only one requires the additional amt. If by change of owner the property ceases to belong to the panel on which an assessment has been so levied before it becomes due—the new proprietor is exempt. The Council of Public Instruction is to consist hereafter of 16 Roman Catholic and 8 Protestant members. Teachers

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