

passes, and \$5,000 per mile; the Spring Hill and Parrsborough Coal and Railway Company \$5,000 per mile for a line between those termini. Advances at the rate of \$20,000 debentures for \$40,000 spent may be made during construction.

PRESERVATION OF GAME.

Chap. 13.—Enacts that no moose or beaver are to be killed between September 1st, 1874, and September 1st, 1877, under a penalty of not less than \$30, nor more than \$50, for each offence. Provides for the preservation of useful birds and animals during the close season; authorizes the L. G. in C. to appoint a commissioner or Warden for each district to enforce the provisions of this Act, and assist the officers of the Government of Canada in carrying out the laws for the preservation of Inland Fisheries. Close season for partridge 1st of January to 1st of October; for woodcock, snipe, blue-winged duck or teal, hares or rabbits, 1st of March to 1st of September; or woodcock not to be killed between sunset and sunrise. Penalty for breach of Act \$1 for each bird. Penalty for setting snares for moose, \$100.

PROHIBITION.

Chap. 14.—Authorizes any J. P. in districts where no licenses are granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors to issue warrants for the seizure of any liquors kept for sale in said district, also any liquors intended for sale within a mile of any mine or mining works, and arranges for the future granting of licenses within the City of Halifax.

Chap. 15.—Renders illegal the sale of spirituous liquors within three miles of the grounds occupied by camp meetings, unless in any licensed house existing before the commencement of such camp meeting.

INDENTURES.

Chap. 16.—Provides for the transfer of indentures of guardianship of minors brought into this Province from abroad.

BARRISTERS.

Chap. 17.—Declares that a barrister holding the office of Prothonotary to be considered as practising within meaning of Rev. Stat., c. 89.

COUNTY COURTS.

Chap. 18.—Establishes County Courts. The Province is divided into seven districts. No. 1 to consist of the County of Halifax; No. 2 of Lunenburg, Queen's and Shelburne; No. 3, of Annapolis, Digby and Yarmouth; No. 4, of King's, Hants and Colchester; No. 5, of Pictou and Cumberland; No. 6, of Inverness, Antigonish and Guysborough; and No. 7, of Cape Breton, Victoria and Richmond. A judge is to be appointed for each district, to hold a court in each county. Jurisdiction up to \$400 in actions upon contracts or under a will, or for part of estate awarded, and to \$200 in actions of torts, and actions on bail bond to any amount. The county court is also constituted the court of Appeal from magistrates' courts. But the jurisdiction does not extend to cases in which the title to land is brought in question, or the

validity of any devise, bequest or limitation is disputed, or for criminal conversation or seduction, or breach of promise of marriage, or to an action against a J. P. for an act done in the execution of his office. The procedure is to be regulated by that of the Supreme Courts and rules of practice made by county court judges submitted for approval to supreme court judges. All cases are to be tried without a jury, subject to appeal to Supreme Court, but in cases of \$30 or over, the judge may order a jury. The sheriff summons ten jurors from within five miles of the court-house, and five are to be empanelled. The jurisdiction of the city court of Halifax in cases of torts and for forcible entry or detainer is transferred to the county court.

GRAND JURORS.

Chap. 19.—Entitles grand jurors to the same fees for attendance at the Supreme Court and for travelling connected therewith as are now granted for travel, &c, at General Sessions, and provides for the payment of said fees out of general county assessment. Act to come into force January 1st, 1875.

QUEEN'S COUNSEL.

Chap. 20.—Legalizes the appointment of Q. C. from among the members of the bar of N. S. by the Lieutenant Governor.

PRECEDENCE.

Chap. 21.—Regulates the precedence of the bar in Nova Scotia similarly to that in Ontario.

SUPREME COURT.

Chap. 22.—Extends the powers given to the judges by the Act of 1872, c. 22, s. 3, to the regular sittings of the Supreme Court at Halifax. Legalizes the order published April 15th, 1874.

TELEGRAMS.

Chap. 23.—Provides for the production of copies of telegraphic messages, &c. in lieu of originals as evidence in any law proceeding.

ASSESSMENTS.

Chap. 24.—Legalizes the assessment rolls of 1874, though they may not have been returned in accordance with the provision of the chapter of Rev. Stat., "of county assessments."

MARRIAGES.

Chap. 25.—Legalizes to all intents all marriages solemnized (as in Ontario—see ante.) since June 1st, 1873, the same as if said marriages had been legal at the time they were contracted.

SUPPLIES.

Chap. 26.—Grants sums for expenses of the Civil Government. Civil list, \$6,100; contingent expenses, \$9,000; crown lands, \$20,000; agriculture, \$8,000; agricultural exhibition, \$1,000; criminal prosecutions, \$15,000; coroner inquests, \$2,000; education, \$180,000; mines, \$11,000; work, \$65,000; immigration, \$5,000; construction