

# Legislation—1877.

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED.

H. M.—Her Majesty  
 G. G.—Governor General  
 G. in C.—Governor in Council  
 L. G. in C.—Lieutenant Governor in Council  
 P. C.—Privy Council  
 M. C.—Minister of Customs  
 C. C.—Commissioner of Customs  
 M. I. R.—Minister of Inland Revenue  
 C. I. R.—Commissioner of Inland Revenue  
 P. M. G.—Postmaster General  
 P. M.—Postmaster  
 P. O.—Post Office  
 P. O. D.—Post Office Department  
 R. G.—Receiver General  
 C. R. F.—Consolidated Revenue Fund  
 M. P. W.—Minister of Public Works  
 P. W. D.—Public Works Department  
 M. F.—Minister of Finance  
 S. of S.—Secretary of State  
 M. of A.—Minister of Agriculture.  
 M. of I.—Minister of the Interior  
 M. M. F.—Minister of Marine and Fisheries

H. of C.—House of Commons.  
 C. C. C.—Clerk of the Crown in Chancery  
 The Co.—The Company  
 J. P.—Justice Justices of the Peace  
 C. C. L.—Commissioner Crown Lands  
 A. C. C. L.—Assistant Commissioner Crown Lands  
 E. C.—Executive Council  
 L. C.—Legislative Council  
 L. A.—Legislative Assembly  
 A. Comr.—Assistant Commissioner  
 O. in C.—Order in Council  
 C. of A.—Commissioner of Agriculture  
 M. P. I.—Minister of Public Instruction  
 C. C.—Civil Code  
 C. C. P.—Civil Code of Procedure  
 C. S. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Canada  
 C. S. L. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Lower Canada  
 C. S. U. C.—Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada.  
 V.—Victoria  
 c.—Chapter  
 s.—Section  
 subs.—Subsection.

## PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

(Opened 8th February and Prorogued 28th April, 1877.)

### SUPPLIES.

*Chap. 1*—Is the Supply Bill, granting \$1,825,595.99 for the services of the year 1876-77, and \$16,286,576.52 for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

### INDEPENDENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

*Chap. 2*—Indemnifies all members from pecuniary penalties for illegally sitting or voting in the House of Commons, if they have done so *bonâ fide*, believing themselves not disqualified; but does not cure disqualification or incapacity; nor does it free any one from penalties hereafter incurred.

### GREAT SEALS OF PROVINCES.

*Chap. 3*—Confers upon the L. G. in C. the power of appointing and altering the Great Seal of any Province and makes valid instruments sealed with old Great Seal of Nova Scotia.

### CRIMINAL LAW—P. E. ISLAND.

*Chap. 4*—Extends the Statutes of Canada respecting Criminal Law, &c., to P. E. Island. But this Act is not to be construed as declaring any Act to have been or not to have been in force in the Province before its passing, or as giving any Act retroactive effect. The Supreme and other Provincial Courts are authorized to try and decide cases under these laws. Prisoners sentenced for more than 2 yrs. may be imprisoned in the local gaols till a penitentiary for the Maritime Provinces is provided. Appeals from decisions of J. P. to be made to the Provincial Supreme Court. Returns of convictions to be made to the Clerk of Assize for the County. The Act in force on and from 1st April, 1877.

### TRADE MARKS, &c.

*Chap. 5*—Extends the Acts relating to Trade Marks and Industrial Designs to B. Columbia and P. E. Island.

### MANITOBA BOUNDARIES.

*Chap. 6*—Alters the boundaries of the Eastern and Western boundaries of the Province, so as to conform to the boundaries of Townships—the boundaries of Keewatin and the N. W. Territories being also altered to conform thereto.

### N. W. TERRITORIES ACT.

*Chap. 7*—The G. in C. may appoint an Administrator in case of illness, absence or incapacity of the L. G.—the Administrator as well as the L. G. to take oath of office under B. N. A. Act. The Council of the L. G. is to consist of six persons, including the Stip. Magistrates; and they and their clerk are to take oaths prescribed by G. in C. The L. G., in C. or with the advice and consent of the L. A., may make ordinances in matters authorized by the G. in C. not exceeding Provincial authority under the B. N. A. Act. The L. G. is to sit in Council as a part thereof in enacting ordinances, but this provision ceases to have effect so soon as a Legislative Assembly is formed. The sections of the previous Act, authorizing the establishment of courts and formation of judicial districts, are repealed. The Stip. Magistrates have throughout the N. W. T. jurisdiction of one or two J. P. elsewhere, or granted by any local ordinance; also in all cases under the third section of N. W. T. Police Act (36 V., c. 35). A Stip. Magistrate may, with consent of accused, try summarily and without a jury, any case in which the punishment does not exceed 7 yrs. imprisonment. If he does