

Chap. 42.—Changes the name of the MONTREAL BUILDING ASSOCIATION to "THE MONTREAL INVESTMENT AND BUILDING COMPANY." The Co. may borrow money at such rates of interest as authorized by law, and may issue bonds or debentures for sums not less than \$100 each, payable in any currency and at any place most convenient, not less than one year, hypothecating or giving other security upon its property, deeds, securities, &c. The amount borrowed not to exceed double the amount of the capital of the Co. paid up. Co. may act as an agency and trust Co. It may receive or exact any rate of interest or discount not exceeding 8 p. c. per annum. and may stipulate for and receive the same half yearly in advance, and may receive a semi-annual payment on any loan by way of a sinking fund for the gradual extinction of such loan.

Chap. 43.—Grants a Dominion charter to the ONTARIO EXPRESS AND TRANSPORTATION Co., capital \$100,000 in 1,000 shares of \$100 each, with power of increase to \$1,000,000. Principal place of business at Toronto. There are to be five Directors holders of 25 shares, and a majority resident in Canada. William Winter, John Alexander Mackenzie, Robert Fulton

Dodd, William McHaffie and Cicero Davenport Rounds, shall be provisional Directors. Co. to be organized when all the stock is subscribed and 20 p. c. paid in, and charter forfeited if this be not done before 1st June, 1879.

Chap. 44.—Incorporates, as FISHWICK'S EXPRESS AND MERCHANTS FORWARDING Co., (limited), Frederick W. Fishwick, George S. Franklyn, and James C. Mackintosh, of Halifax, and others. Capital \$100,000 in 2,000 shares of \$50 each.

Chap. 45.—Incorporates, as the MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE BIBLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH in Canada, the Reverends Paul Robins, John H. Eynon, Thomas Green, Robert Hurley, John Chapple, Cephas Barker, William Hooper, Jesse Whitlock, William S. Pascoe, John Kenner, George Webber, Edward Roberts, Wm. Jolliffe, William R. Roach, James J. Rice, and Henry J. Nott, and John Hull, of Lakefield, Ont., Charles R. Tamby, of Orono, James Pickard, of Exeter, James Rundle, of Darlington, John F. Cummings, of Mariposa, John Southote, of London, and William Windate, of Darlington. Objects: religious and charitable, and designed to promote Christian missions.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

(Legislature opened 9th January and prorogued 7th March, 1878.)

SUPPLIES.

Chap. 1.—Is the supply bill, granting \$2,595,059 for the services of 1878. Also, out of the escheated estates of the late Andrew Mercer, \$5,000 to his natural son Andrew Mercer, to pay his debts, \$15,000 to be invested in the hands of trustees for his benefit, and 150 acres of land or \$10,000 additional at his option. A further \$10,000 out of the estate to be applied towards the erection of a Provincial Eye and Ear Infirmary, to be called the Andrew Mercer Infirmary, and \$90,000 for a Reformatory Institution at Toronto to be called the Andrew Mercer Ontario Reformatory for Females.

PUBLIC SERVICE.

Chap. 2.—The Civil Service of the Province is made to consist of two divisions "Ordinary and Special." The latter is comprised of those requiring training—professional or other—not usually to be acquired in the service. and contains two classes, officers and clerks. Their salaries are to be fixed by O. in C. The ordinary division is made up of Deputy Heads, Chief Clerks, Clerks and Probationary Clerks. The clerks are divided into four classes. A 4th class clerk to receive \$400 with \$50 annual increase up to \$650; he may be promoted after four years service. A 3rd class \$700 with like increase up to \$950; he may be promoted after five yrs.

service. A second class receives \$1,000 with increase up to \$1,200, and may be promoted at any time. First class \$1,200 to \$1,400. There is no absolute right to the increases, but they may be suspended and subsequently restored by the head of the department. Promotions and appointments are made by the L. G. in C., on the recommendation of the departmental head, and the latter are during pleasure. Six mos. probationary employment at the minimum salary of the 4th class, or (in cases where special but not professional qualifications are required) of the 3rd class is required before permanent appointment. A candidate for appointment must produce such certificates of age, health and character as may be required, and for the ordinary division must pass an examination to be prescribed, before examiners to be appointed by the L. G. in C. Appointments may be made to the special division without probation or examination. In case of a vacancy in either division the head of the department promotes the clerk in the class below whom he considers most fit, or if there be none in the special division, he appoints a person not in the service. A person leaving the service in good standing may be re-appointed to the rank held when he left. In each department there may be appointed one or more officers or chief clerks with salaries to be fixed by O. in C., and voted by the legislature. Or a first class clerk may be given \$400 addition to his regular salary