provided. Voting is by ballot, excep in the Territories, where it is open. The House of Commons is called together from time to time by the Governor General, but there must be a Session of Parliament once at least in every year, so that twelve months does not intervene between the last sitting of one Session and the first sitting of the next. A Speaker is elected at the commencement of each Parliament by the members from among themselves.

Privileges of Parliament.

46. The privileges of the Senate and House of Commons are defined by the Parliament of Canada, but they must not exceed those enjoyed by the members of the Imperial House of Commons at the time of the passing of the British North America Act in 1867.

Oath of allegiance

47. Every member, both of the Senate and the House of Commons, must take the oath of allegiance before taking his seat.

Money bills. 48. All bills for appropriating any part of the public revenue, or for imposing any tax or impost, must originate in the House of Commons, and must first be recommended by the Governor General. Bills relating to other matters can be introduced in either House. The concurrence of the Governor General, the Senate and the House of Commons is necessary before any measure can become law

Authority of Parliament. 49. The exclusive legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada, as provided by the British North America Act, extends to all matters connected with the following subjects:—

Public Debt.

Trade and Commerce.

Taxation.

Borrowing money on public credit.

Postal Service.

Census and Statistics.

Militia and Military and Naval Service.

Civil Service.

Banking.

Savings Banks. Weights and Measures.

Bills of Exchange.

Interest.

Legal Tender.

Bankruptcy.

Patents.