

lands for the purpose of school endowment, in lieu of the lands granted to individuals named. (Sec. 3.) That the Governor in Council may substitute lands of equal extent and value for school lands to be sold to the Cochrane Ranch Co. (Sec. 4.) For the repeal of Chap. 27, Acts of 1889. (Sec. 5.) (a) That transfers heretofore made may be declared void, such declaration to be without effect in any case (not fraudulent or an error) in which a patent has previously issued; (b) that pending or settled cases are not to be affected.

426. INDIAN ACT.

Chap. 35, 22nd July, 1895,

Provides for the amendment of previous Acts by declaring that: (Sec. 1.) There shall be no reserve or portion thereof sold, alienated or leased until surrendered to the Crown. The Superintendent General having, however, the power to lease for the benefit of any Indian the land to which he is entitled, without requiring release or surrender. (Sec. 2.) That the Governor in Council (a) may direct how and by whom surplus moneys arising from disposal of Indian lands or other property held in trust shall be invested and how the payments or assistance granted to Indians shall be effected; (b) may provide for general management of such moneys; (c) direct what percentage shall be set apart to cover cost of management; (d) authorize expenditure for roads and bridges, ditches and reserves, (e) and authorize expenditure for school houses and by way of contribution to schools. (Sec. 3.) That the repeal of Sec. 75, Indian Act, brings into force a substitute providing for the election of chiefs or headmen, specifying the number of chiefs; the procedure in setting aside the election and in deposing a chief. (Sec. 4.) Provides that on proof of good behaviour and capacity any Indian may receive (by order of Governor in Council) his share of the capital funds at the credit of the band, or of the principal annuities of the band; if a married man, he shall be paid also his wife's and minor unmarried childrens' share, and if a widow, *her* minor unmarried childrens' share. With similar qualifications and restrictions the shares of unmarried children of full age shall be paid to said children, all such Indians and their unmarried minor children on receiving their shares shall become enfranchised and be no longer under the provisions of the Acts relating to Indians. (Sec. 5.) Makes provisions for the enfranchisement of Indians by bands. (Sec. 6.) Provides for punishment of Indians celebrating certain festivals, dances or ceremonials whereat presents are made, or human or other animal bodies are mutilated. (Sec. 7.) Gives Indian agents jurisdiction in certain cases as justices of the peace within territorial limits of their specific jurisdiction, in the case of all the provinces, excepting Manitoba, British Columbia and the North-west Territories, in which the agent is justice of the peace without territorial limitations. (Sec. 8.) Provides for the transfer of any Indian and his share in land and money from one tribe to another; for the reduction by the Governor in Council of the purchase money or to become due on sales of Indian lands; for the reduction or remission of interest or rent confirming all previous reductions; for a return setting forth these reductions and remissions to be submitted to parliament.