

the Act. The Loan Companies Act is also amended by c. 66, regarding investment of funds, security for loans, authorization of investments by the Minister, amount of money held on deposit and its approval by a general meeting of the company, withdrawal of deposits, statements, validity of investments and penalties for infringements.

*Education.*—The Education Act is amended by c. 52 with respect to rural high school departments, the municipal school fund, the establishment of free public libraries in school sections and their maintenance, the granting of employment certificates to pupils who must go to work, the powers and duties of school attendance officers and the setting of boundaries of school sections.

*Finance.*—C. 67 provides for the expenditure of various sums of money for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the public service for the year ending Sept. 30, 1923.

*Mining.*—The Coal Mines Regulation Act is amended by c. 54, which prohibits the employment of juveniles in or about mines, stipulates the safety of travelling roads and working places and of mechanical hoisting or lowering appliances.

*Miscellaneous.*—C. 4 establishes the Legislature Internal Economy Board, with power to organize and control all employees of the Legislative Council or House of Assembly other than the chief and assistant clerks and the sergeant-at-arms. C. 5 places the administration of the Public Service Superannuation Act in the hands of the Provincial Treasurer and provides for the payment of superannuation allowances to certain members of the public service of the province under specified conditions, and also for the payment of allowances to widows and children of deceased employees, with further regulations regarding the superannuation fund and its administration. C. 21 amends the Medical Act regarding candidates for preliminary examinations; c. 22 amends the Dental Act regarding registration and licensing of dentists; c. 29 amends the Barristers and Solicitors Act with respect to registration, qualification for enrolment and further particulars regarding articulated clerks in the province; c. 45 provides for the payment of accounts or claims due to the Victoria General Hospital by patients or their representatives when such accounts have been paid by any municipality, and c. 57 sets out qualifications for registration in the Association of Professional Engineers.

*Motor Vehicles.*—C. 1, an Act to Regulate Motor Carriers, deals with the powers of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities over motor vehicles and carriers, together with provisions regarding the licensing and operation of motor vehicles, the application of taxes collected from licenses, the reporting of accidents and penalties for infringements. C. 9 provides for the display of certain plates on all motor vehicles, and for traffic rules for all vehicles.

*Municipalities.*—The Village Supply Act, 1923, “enables the inhabitants of villages to provide themselves with certain facilities” by providing for the appointment and election of commissioners in any village municipality, their terms of office, meetings of ratepayers, powers of commissioners, by-laws and ordinances, finances, taxation and police protection.

*Public Utilities.*—C. 7 deals with inside electrical installations, and the duties of consumers and public utility corporations in connection therewith; c. 36 has regard to the earnings of public utility companies; while c. 55 makes slight amendments to the Act respecting the development of electrical energy from water power and other sources.