

**48.** In reckoning time for the purpose of this act, Sun-<sup>Computation</sup> days and holidays shall not be included in the delays es-<sup>of time.</sup> tablished by this act.

**49.** No election or return which took place prior to the passing of this act shall be controverted or questioned under this act, but all contestations of such elections or returns shall be governed by the laws hitherto in force, with respect to controverted elections. <sup>Controverted elections how only to be tried.</sup>

**50.** Whenever any election petition complains of the conduct of any returning officer, such returning officer, for all the purposes of this act, shall be deemed to be the respondent except in the case in which respondents shall have been admitted in his place. <sup>Petition complaining of a returning officer.</sup>

**51.** A petition under this act, complaining of no return may be presented, and shall be deemed to be an election petition within the meaning of this act, and such order may be made thereon as may be expedient for compelling a return to be made, or the court or judge may allow such petition to be tried in the manner hereinbefore provided with respect to ordinary election petitions. <sup>Petition complaining of no return.</sup>

**52.** Any advocate may practice as counsel, attorney or agent, in cases of election petitions, and all matters relating to elections, before a court or judge. <sup>Advocates may act in controverted election cases.</sup>

**53.** The act respecting controverted parliamentary elections, chapter seven of the consolidated statutes of Canada, is repealed in so far as the same applies to elections to take place for the legislative assembly of Quebec, after the passing of this act, and in so far as relates to matters within the control of the legislature of this province. <sup>Chap. 7, C. S. C., repealed.</sup>

## C A P . V I .

### An Act to amend the Treasury Department Act.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

**1.** Section twenty-six of the Treasury Department Act, is hereby amended, by adding at the end thereof the following words: <sup>Estimates to contain certain different items, in different columns.</sup>  
 "Such estimates shall contain, the statutory appropriations in one column, which do not require to be voted upon by

the legislature year by year, and in another column, the respective amounts required for any service in addition to such statutory appropriations, or otherwise, as the case may be, and for which a vote of the legislature is required, to authorize the expenditure of the same."

Certain balances of appropriations for education to be placed at interest.

2. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to deposit, at interest, any unexpended balance of appropriations made by the legislature, specially for Protestant educational or Roman Catholic educational purposes, and to give in the public accounts a statement of such amounts with the interest received thereon, which shall be subject to the control and direction of the lieutenant-governor in council before distribution thereof, and on receipt by the treasurer of such order in council, any payment ordered as above shall be paid and charged against such deposit.

How they may afterwards be paid.

## CAP. VII.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, and to constitute a Council of Arts and Manufactures."

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Board of arts, &c., abolished.

Sec. 101 to 122 of 32 V., c. 15, repealed.

1. The corporation heretofore existing and known in this province as "The Board of Arts and Manufactures," is hereby abolished, and the sections of the Act 32 Victoria, chap. 15, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," relating thereto, from the section 101 to the section 122, both inclusive, are hereby repealed.

Council of arts, &c., established. Its office.

2. The said Board of Arts and Manufactures hereby abolished shall be replaced by a Council of Arts and Manufactures, whose office it shall be to advise the commissioner of agriculture and public works, and the minister of public instruction, on all measures calculated to promote the progress of the arts and manufactures in this province.

Composition of council.

3. The Council of Arts and Manufactures shall be composed of seventeen members appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council; the commissioner of agriculture and public works, and the minister of public instruction, shall be *ex-officio* members of the council.

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