

**Officers of the Company may be witnesses, &c.** XXXI. In all actions, suits and prosecutions in which the said Company may be at any time engaged, the Secretary or other officer of the said Company shall be a competent witness notwithstanding any interest he may have therein.

**May remove Office of Company. Proviso.** XXXII. Should it any time appear to the Directors that the interests of the said Company would be enhanced by the removal of the Head Office of the Company to some other city or town in Upper Canada, it shall be lawful for them to remove the same, having first obtained the consent of at least two-thirds of the Shareholders of the said Company thereto, and having also advertised the said removal in at least one newspaper published in the city of Toronto, and in one paper, [should such be in existence] published in each city, town or village in which the Company may have an Agency for the period of three calendar months. 5 10

**Interpretation clause.** XXXIII. In this Act the following words and expressions shall have the several meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction, that is to say: words importing the plural number shall include the singular number; words importing the masculine gender shall include females; the word Secretary shall include the word Clerk, the word lands shall extend to messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments of any tenure; the expression "the Company" shall mean the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company in this Act mentioned and described; "the Directors" and "the Secretary shall mean the Directors and Secretary respectively," for the time being. 15 20

**Public Act** XXXIV. This Act shall be a public Act. 25