

- and House of Commons, or by Proclamation, that the same was laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty was pleased to assent to the same ;--And such indorsement shall be taken to be a part of such Act, and the date of such Assent or Signification, as the case may be, shall be the date of the commencement of the Act, if no later commencement be therein provided. 5
- Effect of such endorsement.
- 5.** Any Act of the Parliament of Canada may be amended, altered or repealed by any Act to be passed in the same Session thereof. 10
- Acts may be amended during session in which it passed
- 6.** In construing this or any Act of the Parliament of Canada, unless it be otherwise provided, or there be some thing in the context or other provisions thereof indicating a different meaning or calling for a different construction : 15
- How enactments shall be construed.
- 1.** The enactments in any Act apply to the whole Dominion of Canada ;
- To apply to whole Dominion.
- 2.** The Law is to be considered as always speaking, and whenever any matter or thing is expressed in the present tense, the same is to be applied to the circumstances as they arise, so that effect may be given to each Act and every part thereof according to its spirit, true intent and meaning ; 20
- Application of expressions in present tense.
- 3.** The word " shall " is to be construed as imperative, and the word " may " as permissive ; 25
- " Shall " and " may."
- 4.** Whenever the word " herein " is used in any section of an Act, it is to be understood to relate to the whole Act and not to that section only ;
- " Herein."
- 7.** Subject to the limitations aforesaid,--in every Act of the Parliament of Canada, to which this section applies :-- 30
- Interpretation of certain words.
- First.* The words " Her Majesty," " the Queen," or " the Crown," shall mean--Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, Sovereigns of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland ; 35
- " Her Majesty," &c.
- Secondly.* The words " Governor," " Governor of Canada," " Governor General," or " Governor in Chief," shall mean--the Governor General for the time being of Canada, or other the Chief Executive Officer or Administrator for the time being carrying on the Government of Canada, on behalf and in the name of the Queen by whatever title he is designated. 40
- " Governor," &c.
- Thirdly.* The words " Governor in Council," or " Governor General in Council," shall mean--the Governor General of Canada, or person administering the government of Canada for the time being, acting by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada ; 45
- " Governor in Council, &c."