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day, or any day which is a holiday under "The Interpretation Act," the time so limited shall be extended to, and such thing may be done on the day next following which is not a Sunday or such holiday.

51. All elections held after the coming into force of this Act, What election shall be subject to the provisions thereof, and shall not be ques- under this Act, under this Act, tioned otherwise than in accordance therewith; but no election or if controreturn held or made prior to the coming into force of this Act, shall verted, be controverted or questioned under it, and all contestations of such elections or returns shall be governed by the laws then in force, with respect to controverted elections for the House of Commons.

52. Whenever any election petition complains of the conduct If returning of any Returning Officer, such Returning Officer shall, for all the officer be com-purposes of this Act, except the admission of respondents in his place, be deemed to be a respondent.

53. A petition under this Act, complaining of no return, may If the petition be presented, and shall be deemed to be an election petition within complains that no return was the meaning of this Act; and such order may be made thereon by made. the Election Court as it may deem expedient for compelling a return to be made; or the Election Court may allow such petition to be tried in the manner hereinbefore provided with respect to ordinary election petitions.

54. On the trial of a petition under this Act complaining of an If seat be undue return and claiming the seat for some person, the respondent person not may give evidence to show that the election of such person was returned. undue, in the same manner as if he had presented a petition complaining of such election.

55. Any person who, according to the law of the Province in Who may which the petition is to be tried, is entitled to practise as an attor- election cases ney-at-law or solicitor before the superior courts of such Province, as Attorney or and who is not a Member of the House of Commons may practice. and who is not a Member of the House of Commons, may practise as attorney or agent, and any person who, according to such law, is entitled to practise as a barrister-at-law or advocate before such courts, and who is not a Member of the House of Commons, may practise as counsel in the case of such petition and all matters relating thereto, before any Election Court in such Province.

56. The "Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," Repealing chapter seven of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada; chapter five of of Canada, the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, Third Series, intituled "Of Con- Nova Scotia, troverted Elections;" chapter ninety-eight of the Revised Statutes of New Bruns-New Brunswick, intituled "Of Controverted Elections;" the Act of toba. the Legislature of the Province of Manitoba, passed in the thirtyfifth year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled "An Act to provide for the trial of Controverted Elections ;" and the Act of the Legislature of British Coof the Province of British Columbia. passed in the thirty-fourth lumbia. year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled "An Act to make provision

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