XXVI. The Directors shall cause to be yearly prepared and submitted Yearly stateto the Stockholders at the ordinary meeting, a full and correct statement ment to he of the accounts of the said Company,—the receipts and expenditure of the Directors. past year,—the number of the Policies issued,—the amount covered by 5 Policies in force, together with a general abstract of the estimated liabilities and assets of the Company: a copy of which statement, under the hand of the Managing Director, and countersigned by the Secretary, shall be transmitted to every Shareholder and to the several branches of the Legislature.

XXVII. The said Company may and are hereby empowered to demand Interest may and receive in advance from the Government of this Province, or from any betaken in District or County Council, Board of Trustees or Commissioners, or other person or persons, the half yearly interest from time to time accruing on any toans granted by the said Company under and by virtue of the powers 15 given them by this Act; any law or statute of this Province or the late Province of Upper Canada notwithstanding.

XXVIII. It shall be the duty of the Directors of the said Company to Names of allow, during the hours of business, the names of the Stockholders and the Stockholders number of their shares in the said Company, to be taken by any stock- may be taken. 20 holder who may require the same.

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

XXX. In this Act, the following words and expressions shall have the Interpretation 25 several meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the Clause 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" 30 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 Canadian Life and Fire Insurance Company, in this Act mentioned and described; the words "the Directors" and "the Secretary," shall mean the Directors and Secretary respec-

XXXI. This Act shall be a public Act.

35 tively, for the time being.

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