

ACTS OF LAST SESSION.

Upper Canada, intituled: *An Act respecting the property of religious institutions in Upper Canada*, and incumbents and church-wardens holding churches, or buildings used for churches under the act of parliament of Upper Canada, chapter seventy-four, third Victoria, intituled: *An Act to make provision for the management of the temporalities of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province, and for other purposes therein mentioned*, and the incumbents, church-wardens or trustees holding churches or buildings used for churches under the act chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, intituled: *An Act respecting lands held by religious congregations*; and all others holding churches or buildings used for churches, under any act, shall be severally liable as trustees for such societies or congregations, to the provisions of the preceding section.

4. Municipal Corporations in Upper Canada shall have power to enact by-laws to regulate the size and number of doors in churches, theatres and halls, or other buildings used for places used for places of worship, public meetings, or places of amusement, and the streets leading thereto, and also the size and structure of stairs and stair-railing in all such buildings, and the strength of beams and joists, and their supports.

5. Municipal Corporations in Lower Canada shall have the same power to enact by-laws as is hereby granted to the Municipal Corporations in Upper Canada—except in so far as relates to churches and other buildings used for places of worship, the construction of which is regulated by chapter eighteen of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada; and the Commissioners mentioned in the said chapter shall have, for the said churches and places used for worship, the same power to enact by-laws as is hereby conferred on the Municipal Corporations, which said by-laws, when sanctioned by the ecclesiastical authorities mentioned in the said chapter, shall have full force and effect.

6. In cities, towns and incorporated villages, it shall be the duty of the High Bailiff, Chief Constable, or Chief of Police, to enforce the provisions of this act, and such officers neglecting the performance of such duties shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, recoverable in the manner and before the Justice of the Peace, and payable to the parties mentioned in the third section of this act.

7. County, Township and Parish Municipalities may, by by-law, appoint an officer to enforce the provisions of this act.

8. This act shall not be construed to apply to convents or private chapels connected therewith.

An Act to amend an Act respecting the Superior Courts of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction in Upper Canada.

[Assented to 15th August, 1866.]

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. The sixteenth section of the act of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada, chaptered ten, and intituled: *An Act respecting the Superior Courts of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction*, shall be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following section shall be substituted in lieu thereof:

“16 In case any Judge of either of the Courts of Queen's Bench or Common Pleas has continued in the office of Judge of one or more of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in Upper Canada for fifteen years, or becomes afflicted with some permanent infirmity, disabling him from the due execution of his office, and in case such judge resigns his said office, Her Majesty may, by letters patent under the great seal of this Province, reciting such period of service or permanent infirmity, grant unto such judge an annuity equal to two-thirds of the salary annexed to the office of such judge, to commence immediately after the period of his resignation, and to continue thenceforth during his natural life.”

2 The eighteenth section of the said act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:

“18. The terms of the said Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, shall annually be as follows:—Hilary Term shall begin on the first Monday in February, and shall end on the Saturday of the ensuing week; Easter Term shall begin on the third Monday in May, and shall end on the Saturday of the second week thereafter; Michaelmas Term shall begin on the third Monday in November and end on the Saturday of the second week thereafter; and Trinity Term shall be abolished.”

3. The first section of chapter eleven of the Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada is hereby repealed, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

“1. The Courts of Assize and *Nisi Prius*, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery shall be held in every County and Union of Counties in Upper Canada, in each and every year in the vacation between Hilary and Easter Terms, and between that period of the vacation after the twenty-first day of August and Michaelmas Term, and in addition to the said two Courts to be held for the County of the city of Toronto and the County of York, there shall be a third such Court in every year in each of the said two last mentioned Counties in the vacation between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms, and all such Courts shall be held, with or without commis-