BILL.

An Act to provide for the Election of the Speaker of the Legislative Council.

WHEREAS, it is desirable to provide for the Election, from time to time, by the Members of the Legislative Council of this Province, of one of their number to be Speaker; Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

I. The twenty-second, twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh sections of the Act passed sections, 22, 24, in the Session held in the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty's Reign, 20 Vict., C. 140, intituled "An Act to change the constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective," and so much of the said Act, or of any other Act or Law as provides that the Speaker of the said Legislative Council shall be appointed by the 10 Governor of this Province shall be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

II. The Members of the Legislative Council shall, upon their first Assembling Speaker of the after the next General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Legislative Council to be Elected this Province, or after the occurrence of a vacancy in the Office of Speaker of the by the Members said Legislative Council, whichever may first happen, and thereafter upon their first

15 assembling after the occurrence of any vacancy in the said office, forthwith proceed to elect one of their number to be Speaker; and the Speaker so from time to time elected shall preside at all meetings of the said Legislative Council until his death, or resignation, or removal by vote of the said Legislative Council, or his ceasing to be a member of the same, or until the expiration of four years from his election as such Speaker, whichever may first happen; and such Speaker shall in no case vote unless while presiding there shall be an equality of voices of the other members present.