

Governor of any Province shall not have the power at any time of dissolving either House of the Legislature.

48. There shall be a Court to be called "The Supreme Court of British North America," to be composed of the Chief Justices of the said United Provinces respectively, whose judicial powers shall extend to all cases in law and in equity, arising under this Act, to controversies to which the Federal Government shall be a party, or between two or more Provinces; between a Province and the inhabitants of another Province; or between inhabitants of the same Province, claiming lands under grants of different Provinces.

49. Full faith and credit shall be given in each Province to the public acts, records and judicial proceedings of any other Province, and the Federal Legislature may by general law determine the manner in which such acts, records and proceedings shall be proved.

50. The privilege of the writ of *habeas corpus* shall not be suspended unless when, in cases of rebellion or invasion, the public safety may require it; and no *ex post facto* law shall be passed, or any law impairing the obligation of a contract and if any be passed it shall be void.

51. Before any candidate at any election where a qualification is required shall be capable of being elected, he shall, if duly required, make a declaration specially setting forth such qualification: and for any wilfully false statement therein, he shall be punishable as for perjury.

52. All laws, statutes, ordinances, and usages, which, at the passing of this Act, shall be in force in the said United Provinces, or either of them, shall remain in force in so far as they are not repealed by or inconsistent with this Act, or may be so under the authority thereof.

53. All the courts of civil and criminal jurisdiction within any of the said Provinces when at the time this Act shall come into force, and all offices judicial, administrative or ministerial within the said Provinces respectively, (except in so far as the same may be inconsistent with this Act, or shall be abolished, altered or varied by any law made under the authority, thereof)