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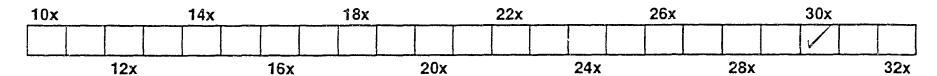
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5th Session, 1st Parliament, 35 Victoria, 1872.

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An Act to incorporate the Bank of Canada.

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An Act to incorporate The Bank of Canada.

HEREAS John Charles Fitch, Francis Shanly, John Hos-Preamble. kin. Thomas Dick, Robert Hay, William F. Allen, Samuel Burden and others, have by their petition prayed that they might be incorporated for the purpose of establishing a Bank in the City 5 of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of their petition: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons, enacts as follows:—

- 1. John Charles Fitch, Francis Shanly, John Hoskin, Thomas Incorporation. 10 Dick, Robert Hay, William F. Allen, Samuel Burden, and such other persons as may become shareholders in the corporation to be by this Act created, and their assigns, shall be and they are hereby created, constituted, and declared to be a corporation, body corporate and politic by the name of "The Bank of Canada."
- 2. The capital stock of the said bank shall be four millions of Capital and dollars, divided into forty thousand shares of one hundred dollars Shares. each, which said shares shall be and are hereby vested in the several persons who shall subscribe for the same, their legal representatives cd assigns.
- 3. For the purpose of organizing the said bank and of raising Provisional the amount of the said capital stock the persons hereinbefore Directors. mentioned by name shall be provisional directors thereof, and they or a majority of them may cause stock books to be opened after giving due notice thereof; upon which stock books shall and may Powers. 25 receive the signatures and subscriptions of such parties or persons as desire to become shareholders in the said bank; and such books shall be opened at Toronto and elsewhere at the discretion of the provisional directors, and shall be kept open so long as they shall deem necessary; and so soon as five hundred thousand dol-First meeting 30 lars of the capital stock shall have been subscribed upon the said of Sharestock books and one hundred thousand dollars thereof actually paid into some one of the present chartered banks in Canada a public meeting shall be called of the subscribers thereof by notice published at least two weeks in two newspapers of the said City 35 of Toronto, such meeting to be held in Toronto aforesaid at such time as such notice shall indicate; and at such meeting the sub- Election of scribers shall proceed to elect seven directors having the Directors. requisite stock qualification, who shall from thenceforward manage the affairs of the said corporation, shall take charge of the stock 40 books hereinbefore referred to, and shall continue in office until the first Wednesday in the month of July, which shall be the year next after the year in which they are so elected, and until their successors in office shall be duly elected; and immediately upon go out.

such election being had the functions of the said provisional directors shall cease.

Chief sent of Bank. 4. The chief place or seat of business of the said corporation shall be in the City of Toronto.

Act 34 Vic. c. 5, to apply.

5. The Act passed during the last Session of Parliament, intituled "An Act relating to Banks and Banking," and all the provisions thereof shall apply to the bank hereby incorporated in the same manner as if it were expressly incorporated with this Act, excepting so far as such provisions may relate only to banks already in existence.

Duration of . Act.

6. This Act shall remain in force until the first day of July, in the year of our Lord 1881.