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remuneration granted to such Commissiquers.

Commissioners such sums as shall altogether exceed the sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds currency, as a remuneration for the services of such Commissioners and as an indemnification for the expences by them incurred in performing the duties hereby assigned to them.

Everyper-onto whom shall be entrusted the expenditure of any portion of the montes hereby appropriated to ren. der a detailed account.

XIV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every person to whom shall be entrusted the expenditure of every portion of the Monies hereby appropriated, shall make up detailed accounts of such expenditure, shewing the sum advanced to the Accountant, the sum actually expended, the balance (if any) remaining in his hands, and the amount of the monies hereby appropriated to the purpose for which such advance shall have been made, remaining unexpended in the hands of the Receiver General, and that every such account shall be supported by vouchers therein distinctly referred to, by numbers corresponding to the numbering of the items in such account, and shall be made up to and closed on the tenth day of April and tenth day of October in each year, during which said expenditure shall be made and shall be attested before a Justice of the Court of King's Bench. or a Justice of the Peace, and such accounts and vouchers shall be made and attested in triplicate, and one part thereof shall be transmitted to the Officer whose duty it shall be to receive such account, within fifteen days next after the expiration of the said periods respectively, and one part thereof to each of the two Houses of the Legislature, within fifteen days after the opening of the then next Session thereof.

Application of the monies appropriated by this Act to be accounted for to His Majesty and a delature.

XV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the Monies appropriated by this Act shall be accounted for to His Ma. jesty, His Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majestv tailed account His Heirs and Successors shall direct, and that a detailed account of the expente be laid be-fore the Legis- diture of all such Monies, shall be laid before the several branches of the Provincial Legislature within the first fifteen days of the next Session thereof.

CAP. XXVII.

An Act to enable the regularly ordained Ministers of the United Associate Synod of the Secession Church of Scotland to keep authenticated Registers according to Law.

[3d April, 1833.]

Preamble.

THEREAS certain Members of the United Associate Synod of the Secession Church of Scotland, have by their Petition to the Legislature, prayed that their Ministers may be duly authorised to keep Registers authenticated in due from

form of Law of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials; and whereas it is equitable that these privileges should be extended to them and to other regularly ordained Ministers of the same persuasion : Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, constituted by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His " Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for making more effectual provision for the " Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America, and to make further " provision for the government of the said Province"; And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for every regularly ordained Minister of the United Associate Synod of the Secession Church of Scotland, cained Minis- having a permanent and fixed congregation, to obtain, have and keep (subject United Asso- always to the penalties by law, in this behalf provided,) registers duly authentithe Synod of cated according to law, of all such marriages, baptisms and burials, as may be performed or take place under the ministry of such Minister or Clergyman; and scottand may which registers (the necessary legal formalities as by law already provided in relation to the registers of the like nature being observed) shall to all intents and purposes have the same effect in law as if the same had been kept by any Minister in this Province, of the Church of England or of Scotland : any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Places where tres. Registers after the re. moval of ministers are tobe lodged.

II. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that such Registers, after the removal of such Minister or Ministers from the City, Town, Township or place in which they may respectively have officiated, and have kept such registers, shall be deposited with their respective successors in Office, or in case there shall be no such successors, with the Prothonotary of the Court of King's Bench, or Provincial Court of the District or Inferior District wherein such Minister may have usually resided and officiated.

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Proviso.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Registers then it copies which shall have been so kept with the several entries made therein according to of the entries, the Laws in force in this Province, as well as authentic copies of the entries the be as valid, therein made, shall to all intents and purposes be good and available at Law as if the Law as it the said Register had been kept pursuant to an Act of the Legislature of this lad been kept Province, of the thirty-fifth year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Third, the Act passed entituled, " An Act to establish the form of Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and in 35, Geo. 3d, "Burials, to confirm and make valid in law the Registers of the Protestant Con-" gregation of Christ Church, Montreal, and others which may have been in-" formally kept, and to afford the means of remedying omissions in former " Registers." Provided always, that all and every the regulations and requirements of the said Act, with respect to the Registers therein mentioned, be also observed with respect to the Registers to be kept pursuant to this Act.

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Ministers to comply with and be goveroed by the said Act.

IV. Provided alwas, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Ministers keeping Registers pursuant to this Act, shall in all respects comply with, and be governed by the above recited Act, and shall in case of disobedience to the said Act be liable to the penalties in like cases provided by the said Act, which penalties shall also be recoverable, paid, applied and accounted for in the same manner as the penalties by the said Act imposed are thereby directed to be paid, applied and accounted for.

Publie Act.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be taken and deemed to be a public Act, and as such shall be judicially taken notice of by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and all others whom it shall concern, without being specially pleaded.

CAP. XXVIII.

An Act for the relief of a religious Congregation in the Township of Hull, denominated, Presbyterians.

[3d April, 1833.]

Prezmble.

John C. Nichol- and his successors betry ordained ministers, may keep registers of Baptisms, &c.

ON the Petition of divers inhabitants of the Township of Hull, in the County of Ottawa, calling themselves Presbyterians, praying that their Minister John C. Nichols, may be anthorised to keep Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials: Be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal " certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, " intituled, " An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the " Province of Quebec in North America," and to make further provision for the " government of the said Province;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for the said John C. Nichols and his Successor or Successors, being regularly ordained and Ministers of the said Congregation, to have and keep (under the penalties by Law provided in that behalf) Registers duly authenticated of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, which shall take place under his or their Ministry; and that such Registers (the requisite legal formalities with regard to Registers of the like nature being observed) shall to all intents and purposes, have the same effect in law as if they had been kept by any Minister of the Church of England or Scotland in this Province, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. II.