for the said seven years shall be less than the rate of fifteen pounds on the hundred, it shall be lawful for the Company, if they should be of opinion that the said rate of twenty five years purchase of the said average profits is an inadequate rate of purchase of such Suspension Bridge, reference being had to the prospects thereof, to require that it shall be left to arbitration, in case of difference, to determine what (if any) additional amount of purchase money shall be paid to the said Company.

Act not to authorize the Company to interfere with the navigation of the River.

XXV. Provided always and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to authorize the said Company in the erection of the said Bridge or otherwise, to interfere with the free navigation of the River Saint John; and if at any time hereafter any part of the said Bridge, or any of the Piers or Abutments thereof, or any material or thing connected therewith should so interfere with the navigation of the said River, it shall be deemed a nuisance.

Bridge to be constructed of iron wire or chains, with side paths, &c. ;

XXVI. And be it enacted, That any Bridge erected under this Act shall be constructed of iron wire or chains in all respects of sufficient strength and quality to render it perfectly safe for life and property passing over the same, which Bridge shall have a side path for foot passengers of not less than four feet in width on each side of said Bridge railed off from the road or carriage way, with railings outside of not less than five feet in height, and so constructed as to prevent any passengers falling through said railing; and that such Bridge shall not be opened for public conveyance until it shall have been certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by some competent Engineer or Engineers duly appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, that such Bridge is in all respects of sufficient strength and materials for

and before being opened for public use to be reported safe by an Engineer appointed by the Lieutenant Governor.

the purposes for which the same is intended.

On complaint of insufficiency, Bridge to be examined by an Engineer, and if reported unsafe, Proclamation to be issued by the Lieutenant Governor prohibiting its use.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or the Administrator of the Government for the time being, to appoint a competent Engineer at any time on complaint to him made of any injury or damage to, or any defect whatever in said Bridge, whereby it may become dangerous or unsafe for passing over the same, to examine the said Bridge; and if upon a report by said Engineer it shall appear that the Bridge is unsafe in any particular, it shall and may be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or the Administrator of the Government for the time being, to cause a Proclamation to be made in the Royal Gazette prohibiting any intercourse across the said Bridge until the same shall have been repaired, renewed or strengthened, as the case may be, to the satisfaction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, when and so often as the case may happen during the continuance of this Act, or any renewal thereof.

Act suspended until Her Majesty's assent be declared.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not be in force until Her Majesty's Royal assent be thereto had and declared.

This Act was specially confirmed, ratified and finally enacted by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 29th day of June, 1849.

## CAP. LXX.

An Act to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases.

Passed 14th April 1849.

Member of Assembly accepting an office of profit under the Crown to be incapable of holding his seat while in such office, unless re-elected.

E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, any Member of the House of Assembly who shall accept of any office of profit or emolument under the Crown, shall be incapable of taking or holding his seat in the General Assembly of this Province while in such office, unless re-elected after his acceptance thereof.

Act suspended till H. Majesty's appro-bation be declared.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not come into operation or be in force until Her Majesty's Royal approbation be thereunto had and declared.

This Act was specially confirmed, ratified and finally enacted by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 29th day of June, 1849.]

## CAP. LXXI.

11 V. c 62. 4 W. 4, c 46. An Act in amendment of and in addition to an Act, intituled An Act in addition to an Act, intituled 'An Act to extend the privilege of solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province.'

Passed 14th April 1849. THEREAS it is deemed reasonable and just that the authorized or ordained Elders, Ministers, or Religious Teachers of the Free Chris-

Preamble.