



CHAPTER 30

An Act respecting the Island of Anticosti

[Assented to, the 11th of March, 1926]

WHEREAS the Island of Anticosti is admirably suited Preamble.
for establishing a reserve for the protection of fish
and game;

Whereas the proprietor has, for several years and at great
expense, caused and still causes thoroughly conclusive ex-
periments in acclimatizing, breeding and conservation to
be carried out thereon;

Whereas such experiments are of great interest and the
Province of Quebec may derive advantages therefrom;

Whereas it is expedient, for these reasons, to grant the
highest degree of protection to the Island of Anticosti;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of
the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of
Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may erect the Island of
territory of the Island of Anticosti into a protected reserve Anticosti
for acclimatizing, breeding and conserving all kinds of fish erected into
and game and, for such purpose, he is authorized, subject protected
to the provisions of this act and of the general law, to enter reserve.
into any agreement with the proprietor which he may
deem expedient for the protection of fish and game, the
guarding and inspection of the reserve, the sale, transfer and
exchange of specimens from the reserve, the issuing of fish
and game permits by the proprietor, the reports to be
made to the Crown and the proper administration of the
reserve generally.

2. From the publishing of the order-in-council erecting Establish-
the Island of Anticosti into a protected reserve and during ment, land-
the time determined by such order-in-council, no one, ex- ing, etc.,
cept the proprietor and those holding his permits and the prohibited
officers and employees of the Crown in the discharge of on said
Island.

their duties, may establish himself, land, or settle on, use or occupy any part of said reserve, save in the event of storm, wreck or irresistible force; and no one, without a permit from the proprietor, may hunt or fish in any manner whatsoever thereon.

Penalty. **3.** Every person infringing any provision of this act or any of the regulations made thereunder shall be liable to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, with costs, and, on failure to pay such fine and costs, to imprisonment for not less than one month, nor more than three months, with or without hard labour.

Payment of expenses. **4.** The proprietor of the Island of Anticosti shall pay all the expenses to be incurred for protecting the reserve and punishing delinquents.

Appointment of guardians, etc. Remuneration. **5.** The guardians and constables in charge of supervising the reserve and maintaining peace and order therein shall be appointed by the Minister of Colonization, Mines and Fisheries. The proprietor of the Island shall alone be liable for their payment.

Powers of guardians and constables. **6.** The guardians and constables so appointed may, on view and without a warrant, arrest and bring before a justice of the peace or a magistrate, to be dealt with according to law, any person they find infringing the provisions of this act.

Idem. **7.** The guardians and constables may also, on view and without a warrant, seize and remove all animals, birds, fish, feathers, furs, firearms, munitions, explosives, darts, traps, nets, fishing rods, lines, boats, tackle and accessories, in the possession of persons they find infringing this act; the justice of the peace or the magistrate, entrusted with the investigation of the case, may, according to the circumstances, order that such articles be returned to their owner or declare them confiscated for the benefit of the proprietor of the Island.

Prosecution for infringement. **8.** Any infringement of the provisions of this act shall be summarily punished, on complaint made by the proprietor, any person authorized thereto, a guardian or a constable appointed as aforesaid, before a justice of the peace, or district magistrate.

Provisions applicable. **9.** The provisions of the Quebec Summary Convictions Act shall apply to proceedings taken and prosecuted under this act.

Coming into force. **10.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.
