

"IV.—RESERVES ON SALMON RIVERS

Reserve of three chains. **"1659a.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, whenever it shall be deemed advisable, reserve in Crown lands, on the recommendation of the Minister of Lands and Forests, a zone of three chains in width on each side of any salmon river which is or may be under lease from the Province, within which no trees shall be cut without a special permit from the Minister of Lands and Forests. This reserve shall apply only to that part of the main rivers where the salmon run and shall not apply to the tributaries thereof.

Infraction. **"1659b.** All cutting of timber done within such zone of three chains without the authorization required under article 1659a is an infraction of these provisions, and the person who commits same shall be liable to the penalties enacted by article 1611.

Establishment of camps, etc. **"1659c.** Lumbermen may however establish, in such protection zone, roads, camps and landings, which are customary in their lumbering operations.

Submersion. **"1659d.** In the case of lands submerged through the erection of dams, the zone of three chains shall start from the border of the ground where the trees have perished as a result of the submersion."

Coming into force. **2.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C H A P. 32

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, with respect to reforestation

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

R. S., 1668, added. **1.** The following article is inserted in the Revised Statutes, 1909, after article 1667, as enacted by the act 14 George V, chapter 27, section 14:

Credit to aid reforestation. **"1668.** In order to promote, aid and encourage reforestation works, such as the gathering of forest seeds, maintenance of nurseries, purchase of lands and their reforestation, the distribution of plants, as well as the plant-

ing of forest and ornamental trees in the Province, an annual credit of one hundred thousand dollars shall be placed at the disposal of the Minister of Lands and Forests.

The Minister shall, in the usual manner, render an ac- Accounting.
count each year of the administration of these funds."

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

CHAP. 33

An Act respecting the Order of Agricultural Merit of the
Province of Quebec and competitions for agricultural
merit

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly
of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Section fifth of chapter seventh of title fourth of the R. S., 1778
Revised Statutes, 1909, comprising articles 1778 to 1791, to 1791, re-
as amended by the act 11 George V, chapter 35, is replaced placed.
by the following section and articles:

"SECTION V

"ORDER OF AGRICULTURAL MERIT OF THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC AND COMPETITIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL MERIT

"1778. This section may be cited under the title of Title.
"An Act respecting the Order of Agricultural Merit of the
Province of Quebec and competitions for agricultural
merit".

"1779. The Order of Agricultural Merit of the Prov- Order of
ince of Quebec is instituted for the purpose of encouraging Agricultural
agriculturists by honours and rewards, and to acknowledge Merit.
services rendered to agriculture.

"1780. The following decorations and diplomas may Decorations
be awarded by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council: and diplo-
mas.

1. The decoration of Commander of the Order of Agri-
cultural Merit and the diploma of "exceptionally distin-
guished merit" or of "specially distinguished merit";