

and the granting of leases under this section, shall be paid into a special fund and be applied to paying the expenses incurred in carrying out its provisions; and, until such fund is sufficient, a sum of three thousand dollars per annum shall be appropriated for any expenditure which may be incurred therefor by the Minister.

The revenues derived from the issue and renewal of licenses to cut timber on limits in every case where they may be issued or renewed, and from the issue of licenses or authorizations mentioned in article 1681, shall form part of the consolidated revenue fund of the Province."

Coming into force. **17.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

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An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting agricultural societies

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

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

R. S., 1792, am. **1.** Article 1792 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by replacing the third paragraph by the following:

Amount of annual subscription. "The annual subscription shall be one dollar, but the society may, by a resolution adopted at an annual general or at a special meeting, increase it to the amount of two dollars, and afterwards reduce it in like manner to an amount not less than one dollar; but nothing shall prevent the members from voluntarily subscribing a larger sum than the annual subscription."

R. S., 1799, am. **2.** Article 1799 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by replacing the third paragraph by the following:

Appeal to Minister. "If twenty-five members of the society are not satisfied with the decision of the county council, or if the latter refuses or neglects to come to a decision within six months following the deposit of the minutes of the special meeting of the society in the office of the secretary-treasurer of the county council, such twenty-five members may, by signing a petition to the Minister, appeal from the decision rendered by the county council within the thirty days following the adoption of the municipal by-law in the first case, or

ask him, after the expiration of six months, in the second case, to decide upon the choice of the place where exhibitions shall be held and buildings erected, and the Minister's decision shall be final."

3. Article 1831 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended R. S., 1831, by striking out the following words in the seventh, eighth, am. ninth and tenth lines: "nor shall any of them be allowed more than two dollars for acting as such at any exhibition or ploughing match, nor more than sixteen dollars for examining the standing crops in any county".

4. Article 1833 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is R. S., 1833, amended by replacing the words: "third Wednesday," in am. the second line thereof, by the words: "second Monday".

5. Article 1835 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended: R. S., 1835,
a. By replacing the first clause of paragraph 1 by the am. following:

"1835. 1. At such meeting the persons who have Election of become members by paying their subscriptions for the directors at current year, at least one hour before the opening of the general meeting, shall elect a director for each local municipality within the territory of the society, except for town and village municipalities which have not five practical farmers among the members of the society; and, if the number of local municipalities entitled to a representative is less Minimum than nine, the members shall elect others to make up that number. number. One or two auditors shall also be elected.";

b. By replacing the words: "who have paid the required subscription of one dollar," in the first and second lines, by the words: "at least five of whom are farmers who have paid their annual subscription".

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