

den to use or to permit to be used for such spraying, any mixture containing any compound of arsenic or any other poison hurtful to bees.

Penalty. " **2041b.** Every person found guilty of an offence against article 2041a shall, on summary conviction thereof before a justice of the peace, be liable to a fine of not less than one dollar and not more than five dollars, with or without costs, and, in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment for not more than thirty days. "

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

C H A P . 2 3

An Act to amend the Quebec Mining Law.

[Assented to 14th March, 1911.]

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

R.S.Q., 2112, am. **1.** Article 2112 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by inserting after the word "license" in the second line, the words "or holder of a claim."

Id., 2118, am. **2.** Article 2118 of the said statutes is amended by replacing the word "three" in the first line of the second paragraph by the word five."

Id., 2120, am. **3.** Article 2120 of the said statutes, as amended by section 8 of the act 1 George V, chapter 17, is further amended by replacing the words "of the spruce" at the end thereof by the words "at the stump".

Id., 2121a, added. **4.** The following article is inserted in the said statutes after article 2121 :

Annual mining tax. " **2121a.** All mining land and underground mining concessions sold in conformity with the provisions of the Quebec Mining Law, and the letters-patent whereof are issued after the first day of July 1911, shall be subject to an annual tax of ten cents per acre, payable each year before the fifteenth day of January.

Remission of same. The Minister shall remit this tax upon an affidavit that at least two hundred dollars have been spent in mining work upon the concession during the year.

When he thinks proper, the Minister shall cause to be drawn up a list of those concessions as to which two years' arrears are due, and such list shall be published in four consecutive numbers of the *Quebec Official Gazette*, and once in an English newspaper and a French newspaper published in the city of Montreal, with a notice that if the taxes in arrears and the costs of publication are not paid within six months of the first publication of the notice, such concessions shall revert to the Crown and the letters-patent shall be annulled.

The mining rights which thus revert to the Crown cannot again be staked out or conceded except in pursuance of an order in council."

5. Article 2131 of the said statutes, as amended by section 11 of the act 1 George V, chapter 17, is further amended by replacing paragraph 3 by the following :

" 3. By a solemn declaration attesting that such lot has not been previously marked out and is not under a mining license, and giving the names and the date of the inscriptions on the stakes as well as the number of his certificate, and showing that he has made or caused to be made thereon, prospecting or development work equivalent to twenty-five days of eight hours each, the whole according to form H,"

6. Article 2131a of the said statutes as enacted by section 12 of the act 1 George V, chapter 17, is amended by striking out the last paragraph.

7. Article 2134 of the said statutes, as amended by section 13 of the act 1 George V, chapter 17, is replaced by the following :

2134. 1. Mining licenses shall be granted on payment of a fee of ten dollars, and of an annual rental of fifty cents per acre, and on affidavit that the required work has been done.

2. Every such license shall be valid for one year from the date of its issue, and shall be transferable only with the consent of the Minister.

3. It cannot be granted for more than two hundred acres and in unsurveyed territory for less than forty acres, of a width of not less than twenty chains, unless the Lieutenant-Governor in Council otherwise decides, in virtue of article 2243.

4. The licensee may, before the expiry of his license, and not later than ten clear days thereafter, renew such license, on payment of a like fee of ten dollars or such other sum as may be prescribed by law at the time of its issue, and of an annual rental of fifty cents per acre, and on filing an affidavit that prospecting or development work equivalent to twenty-five

days of eight hours each on each forty acres or portion of forty acres, has been done during the current year.

Commuta-
tion in cer-
tain case.

5. In case of claims or lands situated more than fifty miles from a railway station, the Minister may, in his discretion, substitute a further annual rent of fifty cents an acre in place of the work required to be done.

Id.

6. The Minister may exercise the same discretion whenever the holder of a claim or of a license is the only person to apply for the issue or the renewal thereof. Nevertheless in case of a license required for industrial or commercial purposes only, the price shall in all cases be one dollar a year per acre, and the license shall be renewable upon filing a report in conformity with article 2162."

Id., 2213a.
added.

8. The following article is inserted in the said statutes after article 2213 ;

Notice of
accidents.

" **2213a.** If while a mine or a quarry is being worked, an accident takes place resulting in loss of life or serious injury, the person working the same or his representative at such mine or quarry, shall forthwith send a written notice to the Minister, specifying the nature of the accident, the number of persons killed or injured and their names if they are known.

Penalty.

Every person not complying with the requirements of this article, shall be liable to the penalties provided in article 2207. "

Id., Form H
of Mining
Law, am.

9. Form H of the Quebec Mining Law is amended by inserting after the word " kind " in the third line of the last paragraph, the words : " and I have done upon the ground, during the past year, prospecting or development work equivalent to twenty-five days of eight hours each."

Coming into
force.

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

C H A P . 2 4

An Act to amend article 2160 of the Revised Statutes, 1909.

[Assented to 24th March, 1911]

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

R.S.Q., 2160,
am.

1. Article 2160 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by adding the following paragraphs :