

CHAP. 16

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting the manufacture of dairy products

[Assented to 4th June, 1910]

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

1. The Revised Statutes, 1909, are amended by inserting the following section after section seventeenth of chapter seventh of title fourth : R. S. Q., s. xviii added to ch. 7 of title 4.

“ SECTION XVIII

“ THE MANUFACTURE OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

“ **2031a.** This section may be cited as “ The Dairy Pro-Short title. ducts’ Act.”

2031b. In this section :

1. The word “ inspector ” means every inspector appointed in virtue of section seventeenth of this chapter, (articles 2024-2031) ; Interpretation: “Inspector.”

2. The words “ butter factory ” mean any establishment to which milk or cream from cows of herds belonging to at least three persons is brought to be converted into butter for public sale. “Butter factory.”

3. The words “ cheese factory ” mean any establishment to which milk from cows of herds belonging to at least five persons is brought to be converted into cheddar cheese for public sale. “Cheese factory.”

“ **2031c.** On or before the first day of January 1912 the proprietor or manager of every butter or cheese factory or factory for the manufacture of condensed or powdered milk must register his name in the office of the Minister of Agriculture on forms to be supplied to him by the Minister, and declare the nature and situation of the industry which he is carrying on, and give such other information as the Minister may require. A correct register of all such declarations shall be kept in the office of the Department of Agriculture, and any person may, during office hours, inspect such register free of charge. Registration of name of proprietor, &c., of certain factories, &c.

“ **2031d.** On and after the 1st day of January, 1912, no Prohibition

to carry on certain business without permission. person, company, society or corporation shall carry on a butter factory, or cheese factory, or factory for the manufacture of condensed or powdered milk in a building or establishment not entered in the register mentioned in article 2031c, without having previously obtained from the Minister permission to carry on such business, and such permission shall not be granted except on a report produced and signed by one of the inspectors general mentioned in article 1964.

Refusal of permission in certain cases. Such permission may be refused if the factory is badly built, badly equipped or unhealthy, upon the report of an inspector approved by the board of directors or the executive committee of the Dairy Association of the Province of Quebec, after notice by registered letter to the interested parties.

Appeal. The applicant may appeal from the decision of the Minister to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, whose decision shall be final.

Closing of certain establishments, &c. " **2031e.** Upon the report of one of the inspectors general mentioned in article 1964 that a butter factory or cheese factory or factory for the manufacture of condensed or powdered milk, is not in a satisfactorily healthy condition, or is not properly built or equipped for the manufacture of dairy products, the Minister may order the proprietor or manager thereof to close the same immediately, and it shall remain closed until the inspector reports that it has been made satisfactorily healthy, and that it is properly built and equipped for the manufacture of dairy products.

Qualifications of certain persons. " **2031f.** On and after the 1st day of January, 1912, no person shall act as head butter maker or head cheese maker in a butter factory or cheese factory, without a certificate of competence from the St. Hyacinthe Dairy School.

Special permit. In lieu of the above certificate, a special permit may be granted at any time by the Minister on the recommendation of one of the inspectors general mentioned in article 1964, to any person having the necessary competence and experience.

Offences and penalties. " **2031g.** Every person offending against the provisions of this section, shall be liable, upon summary conviction before a justice of the peace of the place where the offence was committed, to a fine of not more than ten dollars and in default of payment, to imprisonment for not more than thirty days."

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