

Fish-way, &c., may be erected, &c., pending proceedings and expense collected from certain persons.

“ The Minister of Lands, Mines and Fisheries, in order to procure the construction, repair or improvement of any fish-way, pending proceedings against any owner or occupant for the penalty imposed by this article, may give directions to make and complete the same, or to repair and improve the same, forthwith, and may authorize any person to enter upon the premises with the necessary workmen, means and materials, and may recover, from the owner or occupant, as defined in article 1394*h*, the whole expense so incurred, by action before any competent tribunal.”

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 23

An Act to amend the Quebec Game Laws

[Assented to 25th April, 1903]

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

R. S., 1396,
§ 1, amended.

1. Paragraph 1 of article 1396 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 24, is amended by replacing the words: “ the first day of December and the first day of October of each year,” in the fourth and fifth lines, by the words: “ the first day of December of any year and the first day of October of the following year.”

R. S., 1399,
§ 4, replaced.

2. Paragraph 4 of article 1399 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by the said act, is replaced by the following :

Close season
for musk-
rats.

“ 4. Any musk-rat, between the first day of May of any year and the first day of March of the following year.”

R. S., 1400,
§ 1, amended

3. Article 1400 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by the said act, and amended by the acts 1 Edward VII, chapter 12, section 2, and 2 Edward VII, chapter 14, section 2, is again amended by replacing clause *b* of paragraph 1 thereof by the following :

Close season
for widgeon,
&c.

“ (*b*) Any widgeon, teal or wild-duck of any kind, except sheldrake, loons and gulls, between the first day of March and the first day of September in any year ;”

4. Article 1400a of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by the R. S., 1400a, act 1 Edward VII, chapter 12, section 3, is replaced by the replaced. following :

“ **1400a.** It is forbidden to buy, or to sell, expose for Purchase and sale of certain partridge before the first day of October, 1905. sale of certain partridge before October, 1905, forbidden.

Every delivery of any such partridge, otherwise than merely gratuitous, shall constitute a sale, and every acceptance of any such partridge, otherwise than as merely gratuitous, shall constitute a purchase, in the terms of this provision. Sale and purchase defined.

Whenever any such partridge is found in the possession of any dealer or person selling or having in his possession for the purpose of selling any provisions or produce, the proof that such dealer or person does not have such partridge in his possession with the intention of selling the same, falls upon and is at the expense of the person in whose possession the same is so found. Onus of proof in certain cases.

Any infringement of the provisions of this article shall render the person guilty thereof liable to a fine not exceeding \$20.00 and not less than \$10.00.” Penalty.

5. Article 1412 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by R. S., 1412, the act 62 Victoria, chapter 24, section 1, is amended by amended. by adding thereto, the following clause :

“ The prescription enacted by this article, however, is of twelve months from the day of the commission of the offence charged, when the person prosecuted is domiciled outside the Province of Québec.” Prescription in cases of non-residents.

6. The following paragraph and article are inserted in the Revised Statutes, after article 1420a, as enacted by the act 62 Victoria, chapter 24, section 1 : Art. added after R. S., 1420a.

“ § 7.—*Destruction of wolves*

“ **1420b.** The Minister of Lands, Mines and Fisheries may pay the sum of five dollars, out of the contingencies of his Department, to any person, being an inhabitant of the Province of Québec, who presents to him a certificate from a justice of the peace of any judicial district establishing that such person has proved to his satisfaction, on oath, that he has killed a wolf in such district, and has shown him the wolf or the wolf's head with the scalp and ears entire, and that such justice of the peace, before granting the certificate, has caused the ears and scalp to be cut off the wolf's head and burned.” Bounty for killing wolves.

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