

CAP. XXIII.

An Act respecting colonization in certain parts of this Province, and for promoting the mining industry therein.

[Assented to 21st December, 1895.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage the mining industry and the cause of colonization in connection with the charcoal industry and iron works established by the Canada Iron Furnace Company at Radnor and elsewhere on the river St. Maurice;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Canada Iron Furnace Co. may be recognized as a colonization society under R. S., 1725 and following.

1. The Canada Iron Furnace Company, a body corporate and politic, incorporated by Dominion Letters Patent, with its head office in the city of Montreal, and its works at Radnor and elsewhere on the river St. Maurice, in the district of Three Rivers, may, on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, be recognized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council as a colonization society, within the meaning of section tenth of chapter seventh of title fourth of the Revised Statutes, (articles 1725 and following).

Part of a township may be assigned to company for its settlers.

2. When the company is so recognized, it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of Crown Lands, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on a requisition on behalf of the said company for lands for the settlers whom it is desirous of establishing, from time to time, to assign to the said company a part of a township for its operations.

Reserve of lots and preference thereon to company's settlers.

3. The lots of such part of a township shall be reserved for the settlers sent by such company, who, at the prices and on the conditions required by law and the regulations for the sale of Crown Lands, shall have preference over all others.

Lots to be settled upon.
Effect of default.

4. The company shall establish upon the said lots, within the delay required by the Order in Council, the number of settlers directed thereby; and if the company does not do so, the Commissioner of Crown Lands may sell the land to others.

Duration of reserve.

5. In no case shall a part of a township be thus reserved for the company for more than ten years.

6. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may make a free grant to the said company of one lot for every ten lots which have been settled by settlers of the company; such free grants being subject to the ordinary conditions of clearing and settlement.

Free grant to company of certain lots.

7. The company shall not derive any profit on the sale of any lands granted to such settlers.

Company not to profit by sale of lots to settlers.

8. Articles 1731, 1735, 1736 and 1737 of the said Revised Statutes shall not apply to the said company.

R. S., 1731, 1735 to 1737, not to apply.

9. The said company shall submit, each year, to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, a report of its operations under this act.

Report to Commissioner.

10. Nothing in this act shall be considered as affecting any existing rights.

Existing rights not affected.

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

Coming into force.

CAP. XXIV.

An Act to amend the law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court.

[Assented to 21st December, 1895.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. The first clause of article 2315 of the Revised Statutes is replaced by the following :

R. S., 2315, replaced.

"2315. The Superior Court, which is a court of record, consists of thirty-one judges, that is to say : a chief justice and thirty puisne judges."

Composition of Superior Court.

2. Article 2319 of the said Revised Statutes, as amended by the acts 52 Victoria, chapter 27, section 1, and 55-56 Victoria, chapter 25, section 1, is further amended by replacing the words : "one in the city of Sherbrooke," in the fifth line, by the words : "two in the city of Sherbrooke,".

R. S., 2319, amended.

3. This act shall come into force on the day which the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may be pleased to fix by proclamation.

Coming into force.