

R. S., art. 3031, § 1, replaced.
Appointment of chief and other inspectors.

3. Paragraph 1 of article 3031 of the said Revised Statutes is replaced by the following :

“ 1. Appoint a chief inspector and one or more inspectors of factories, who shall receive the salaries which he may be pleased to fix.”

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An Act concerning the compilation of vital statistics.

[Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

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

Art. added after R. S., art. 3059.

1. The following subsection is added after subsection fourth of section first of chapter third of title seventh of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by the act 54 Victoria, chapter 27 :

§ 4a.—Vital Statistics.

Compilation of vital statistics by the Board of Health of the Province of Quebec.

“ **3059a.** The Board of Health of the Province of Quebec shall, every year, make the compilation of births, marriages and deaths, as well as of causes of deaths, by means of the information it may obtain in virtue of this law, and transmit such compilation to the Provincial Secretary on the first of March.

Annual returns of births by the keeper of registers of civil status.

“ **3059b.** During the first fifteen days of January in every year, every person entrusted with the registration of births required by the Civil Code, shall forward to the Board of Health of the Province a return, in the form of schedule A, of the births registered during the preceding year.

If the registers of several municipalities are kept by one person, such person shall use a separate form for each of such municipalities.

Annual returns of births by secretary-treasurers.

“ **3059c.** Every secretary-treasurer of any municipality shall, during the month of January in every year, forward to the Board of Health of the Province of Quebec a return, according to the form of schedule A, of the births registered by him during the preceding year.

Annual returns of marriages.

“ **3059d.** During the first fifteen days of January, in every year, every person entrusted with the registration of marriages required by the Civil Code, shall forward to the Board of Health of the Province a statement, drawn up in the form of schedule B, of the number of marriages registered by him during the preceding year.

If the registers of several municipalities are kept by one person, such person shall use a separate form for each of such municipalities.

“ 3059c. Every physician, who has been called upon to give professional services during the last sickness of any deceased person, shall, under his hand, certify to the death and cause of death of such person, according to the form of schedule C. Certificates of death by physicians.

When no physician has been called, or when it is impossible to have a physician's certificate, the certificate is signed, either by the clergyman who has been called or by two credible persons who establish, to the best of their knowledge, the cause of death. Id. by others.

Such certificate shall be required by the person entrusted by the Civil Code with the registration of acts of civil status before proceeding to the interment or granting the burial permit. No burial without certificate.

On the first juridical day in every month, the person entrusted with the registration of acts of civil status shall forward to the Board of Health of the Province the certificates received by him during the preceding month. Monthly returns of burials.

During epidemics, the Board of Health of the Province may require that these certificates be sent oftener than once a month. Returns during epidemics.

The certificates shall be destroyed immediately after the compilation of the statistics. Destruction of certificates after compilation.

“ 3059f. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make such regulations and issue such orders as he deems necessary to obtain the information required by this subsection, from cities and towns in which the method of collecting statistics meets the approval of the Board of Health of the Province. Regulations, &c., by Lieutenant-Governor.

“ 3059g. The forms to be used for the certificates of deaths and for the annual reports of births and marriages, the prepaid envelopes for the monthly or annual returns, are furnished and forwarded free to those entitled to them by the Board of Health of the Province. Forms, &c., to be supplied by Board of Health.

“ 3059h. Any person who knowingly makes a false return concerning any facts which are required to be reported in virtue of this subsection to the person entrusted with the registration of acts of civil status, or to the secretary-treasurer of a municipality, shall, upon conviction before a justice of the peace, be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars. Penalties for false returns to persons keeping registers of civil status, &c.

Whosoever is obliged by this subsection to report, to the person having charge of the registration of the acts of civil Penalty for neglecting to

make returns to such officer. status or to the secretary-treasurer of a municipality, any birth, marriage or death, or any cause of death, and who refuses or neglects so to report, is liable to a fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

Prescription of prosecutions. Prosecutions under this subsection shall be instituted within two years after the offence was committed."

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

SCHEDULE A.

RETURNS OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR .

Name of the municipality in which }
the births have taken place. }

County of.....

Total sex. { M
F.....

I certify that the above is a true statement of entries made in the registers of acts of civil status for the year 18 .
Dated at under my hand, the 189 .

(Signature,)

(Official position,)

SCHEDULE B.

RETURN OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR .

Name of the municipality in which }
the marriages were celebrated. }

County of.....

Total marriages.....

I certify that the above is a true statement of entries made in the registers of acts of civil status for the year 18 .
Dated at under my hand, the 189 .

(Signature,)

(Official position,)

SCHEDULE C.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

Name of the municipality in which the death has taken place.....

County of.....

Name and surname of deceased.	Age.	Sex.	Nationality.	Profession or calling.	Date of death.	Duration of illness.	Cause of death.

I, the undersigned, certify that the above statement is correct.

Dated at the 18 .

M. D.