

## CAP. XVIII.

An Act to amend the law respecting public lands.

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

R. S. Q., art. 1247, amended.

**1.** Article 1247 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended by adding at the end thereof the words: "or increase or diminish the number thereof."

R. S. Q., art. 1339 to 1341, repealed.

**2.** Articles 1339, 1340 and 1341 of the said Revised Statutes are repealed.

R. S. Q., art. 1342, amended.

**3.** The first two clauses of article 1342 of the said Revised Statutes are replaced by the following:

Timber dues not to be exacted in certain cases.

"**1342.** No timber dues are to be exacted on any timber cut by settlers on lots regularly acquired by location ticket from the Crown, and which are paid up in full, provided such lots are occupied in good faith and the settlement duties necessary for obtaining letters-patent are performed thereon.

Timber dues to be exacted in certain cases.

(b.) Timber dues, as fixed by the regulations of the Department, are however exacted on all timber cut, for the purpose of clearing, by settlers residing on lots regularly acquired by location ticket from the Crown and which are not paid for in full, and the proceeds of such dues are imputed upon the balance due in capital and interest upon the price of the lot for which they are paid in, up to the amount of such balance, and the surplus, if any, shall be returned to such settlers, should the Lieutenant-Governor in Council so determine.

Application thereof.

Application of surplus.

Imputation of timber dues in certain cases.

(c.) In the case of settlers who have heretofore not taken out their location tickets, but who are occupants in good faith of lots belonging to the Crown, and on which they have performed the settlement duties required before the issue of letters-patent, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, in his discretion, impute the timber dues, chargeable on timber cut by such occupants in the process of clearing only, upon the sum due the Crown for the price of such lots and the occupation thereof, and may return the balance of such dues, if any, to such occupants."

R. S. Q., art. 1343, 52 V., c. 16, s. 3, and 53 V., c. 19, s. 1, replaced.

**4.** Article 1343 of the said Revised Statutes, as replaced by the act 52 Victoria, chapter 16, section 3, and amended by the act 53 Victoria, chapter 19, section 1, is replaced by the following:

" **1343.** All lots, sold or located by the authority of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, prior to the date of any license to cut timber for any territory wherein such lots are situated, are to be held as excepted from such license ; but any lots so sold or located within such territory, after the date of any such license, shall cease to be subject to such license only after the thirtieth day of April next following, and whenever the sale of any such lot is cancelled, the said lot shall be restored to such license."

Lots sold for settlement to be taken out of license and when.

If sale cancelled.

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

Coming into force.

### C A P. X I X .

An Act authorizing free grants to the fathers and mothers of twelve children.

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

**W**HEREAS the law respecting free grants to fathers and mothers of twelve children has, in its application, given rise to serious difficulties ;

Preamble.

Whereas various persons have endeavored to avail themselves of the provisions of the said law ;

Whereas it is expedient to remedy the defects in the law and to insure to such persons the advantages of certain free grants ;

Whereas it is expedient to allow, for a certain time, other persons who come within the requisite conditions to profit by the said grants ;

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

**1.** The act 53 Victoria, chapter 26, and the act amending the same, 54 Victoria, chapter 19, are repealed.

53 V., c. 26, and 54 V., c. 19, repealed.

**2.** The following paragraph is added to section fourth of chapter sixth of title fourth of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec :

Paragraph added to R. S. Q., title fourth, chapter sixth, section fourth.

" § 3 a.—*Free grants to fathers and mothers of twelve children.*

" **1267 a.** Fathers and mothers of families, being British subjects, domiciled in this Province, having twelve children living, born in lawful wedlock, have a right to a grant of one hundred acres of land selected, in the manner hereinafter determined, out of the public lands, fit for cultivation, for sale and disposable at the time of selection, in the township,

Certain fathers and mothers entitled to free grant of public lands.