

Penalty for  
damaging,  
&c., dams, &c.

"**2972j.** Whosoever injures, damages or destroys any dams, slides, aprons, booms, gate-locks and other works intended to facilitate the floating and transmission of timber, is liable to a fine of not more than twenty dollars and not less than two dollars or to an imprisonment of not less than two days and not more than ten days in default of payment, in the common gaol of the district in which the offence was committed, over and above all damages resulting therefrom.

Prosecutions  
for fines and  
for damages,  
if less than  
twenty-five  
dollars, before  
what court to  
be brought.  
If damages  
exceed \$25  
before what  
court suit to  
be brought.

"**2972k.** Prosecutions for the recovery of fines or penalties imposed by this law as well as of damages, if they do not exceed twenty five dollars, may be brought before one or two justices of the peace or the district magistrate of the place where the offence was committed.

When the damages exceed twenty five dollars, the suit is brought, according to the amount of such damages, before the Circuit Court, or before the Superior Court, of the judicial district in which the damages were caused."

R. S. Q. art.  
5555 repealed.

**2.** Article 5555 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, respecting obstructions in rivers and streams, is repealed.

Pending suits  
not to be af-  
fected.

**3.** This act shall not apply to suits actually pending.

## C A P . X X V I .

An Act to amend the law respecting the protection of employees in factories.

[Assented to 30th December, 1890.]

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

R. S. Q. art.  
3023 replaced.

**1.** Article 3023 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is replaced by the following:

Appointment  
of sanitary  
physicians  
provided for.

"**3023.** For the purposes of the two next preceding articles, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint one or more sanitary physicians who shall have special charge of supervising the sanitary conditions and making sanitary recommendations respecting unhealthy industrial establishments."

R. S. Q. art.  
3024 § 6, added  
by 53 V., c. 38,  
s. 3, replaced.

**2.** Paragraph 6, added to article 3024 of the said Revised Statutes, by the act 53 Victoria, chapter 38, section 3, is hereby repealed and the following is substituted therefor:

" 6. Thermometers shall be placed in all factories to the number and in the places required by the inspector, who may also, from time to time, regulate the temperature of each apartment."

Thermometers in factories.  
Temperature of rooms.

3. The clause added by the act 53 Victoria, chapter 38, section 4, to article 3025 of the said Revised Statutes, after the first clause of the 3rd paragraph thereof, is replaced by the following :

Clause added to art. 3025 of R. S. Q., by 53 V., c. 38, s. 4, replaced.

" The dimensions and form of the fire-escapes above mentioned may be prescribed by the inspector; and the owner, tenant and occupant of the immoveable property on which the said establishment is placed, are jointly and severally bound for their construction."

Form and dimensions of fire escapes, who responsible for placing them, &c.

4. Article 3026 of the said Revised Statutes is replaced by the following :

R. S. Q. art. 3026 replaced.

" ~~3026~~. The employment in a factory of any child, of any young girl, or of any woman, is unlawful, and the health of such child, young girl or woman is, within the provisions of this section, likely to be permanently injured, if in that factory there is any contravention of the following provisions of this section, that is to say :

Employment of any child, young girl and woman unlawful, if there are contraventions of this article.

1. No male child, aged less than fourteen years, and no girl, aged less than fifteen years, can be employed in a tobacco or cigar factory ;

Age for employment in tobacco factories, &c.

2. In the factories indicated in a list approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, as unhealthy and dangerous, the age of the employees cannot be less than sixteen years for boys and eighteen years for girls.

Age for employment in unhealthy factories.

3. In all factories, other than those above mentioned, the age must not be less than twelve years for boys and fourteen years for girls.

Age for employment in other factories.

2. So as to insure the rigorous observance of the foregoing provisions of this article, the employer of the child or young girl shall, if required, exhibit to the inspector a certificate signed by the parents, tutor or other person having the lawful custody of or control over such child or young girl, in which certificate the subscriber sets forth the date thereof, the age of the child or young girl at that date and the place of birth, or if there is not in the Province any one having the legal custody or control of such child or young girl, the written opinion of a physician that the said child or young girl is not under the ages required in the preceding paragraphs 1, 2 and 3."

Certificate required to be exhibited to inspector respecting age of child or girl employed in factories.

5. Article 3027 of the said Revised Statutes is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph :

Id. art. 3027 amended.

" 4. The day of ten hours' work, mentioned in this article shall not commence before six of the clock in the morning nor end after nine of the clock in the evening."

When work to begin and end.

53 V., c. 39, repealed.

6. The act 53 Victoria, chapter 39, is hereby repealed.

Coming into force.

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

## C A P. X X V I I.

An Act to amend the law respecting Public Health.

[Assented to 30th December, 1890.]

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

R. S. Q., title 7, cap. 3, sec. 1, replaced.

1. Section first of chapter third of title seventh of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, respecting the Provincial Board of Health, is replaced by the following :

### “ SECTION I.

#### “ BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

#### “ § 1.—*Interpretative.*

Interpretation of ‘Board of Health.’

“ 3054. In this act, as well as in all the by-laws which may be made under the authority thereof, the expression ‘Board of Health’ means the Board of Health of the Province of Quebec.

#### “ § 2.—*Composition of the Board.*

Formation of Board of Health.

“ 3055. Seven persons may be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to form a Board of Health in the Province, under the name of the ‘Board of Health of the Province of Quebec’ whose duty shall be to occupy itself with everything which concerns public health in this Province.

Its composition.

Four at least of these persons must be physicians whose names are entered upon the register, according to the law respecting medicine and surgery, and having at least five years’ practice.

Term of office of members.

Four of the members of the board may be appointed for a term of two years, and three others for a term of three years.

Subsequent appointments are made for a term of three years.

Power of Board when there are vacancies.

Any member retiring from office may be re-appointed. If any vacancy occurs, the members of the Board of Health continue to act as such until the vacancy is filled.