

to acquire and possess lands and buildings in which to hold its exhibitions and meetings or to establish an agricultural school, as also the power of selling and leasing or otherwise disposing of such lands, provided it possess not more than three hundred acres at a time.

“ **1635c.** The board of management of a district agricultural society is composed of a president, a vice-president and a secretary-treasurer, who are elected by the members of the society convened in general meeting for such purpose. Board of management and how elected.

“ **1635d.** The operations of every such society extend over the whole district, without reference to its subdivision into counties. Extent of operations of society.

“ **1635e.** The board of management of the society is bound to report to the Commissioner the election of its officers immediately after it has been held, to inform him in the month of May of the amount which it has at its disposal for the current year, and the use it intends to make of its funds. Report to Commissioner as to election, &c.

The board shall forward, in the month of December in each year, to the Commissioner, a detailed statement of the employment of its funds, approved and sworn to by the secretary-treasurer. Statement of affairs.

“ **1635f.** Wherever such a society has been authorized and constituted, the right possessed by county societies in the same district to unite to form a district society shall thereupon cease. Certain county societies cannot form society if one formed under these provisions.

“ **1635g.** The place for holding the district exhibition is selected by the board of management of the society, and shall be in the centre or as near the centre as possible to the centre of the district.” Place for holding district exhibitions.

CAP. XXV.

An Act to amend the law respecting the formation of colonization societies.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

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

1. The first paragraph of article 1725 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended so as to read as follows : R. S. Q., art 1725 amended.

Formation of
colonization
societies in
certain places.

“ A colonization society may, as hereinafter provided, be formed in each of the cities and towns of Montreal, Quebec, Three Rivers, St Hyacinthe, Sherbrooke, Hull, Chicoutimi, and Rimouski, as well as in any other place approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the aim and object of such societies shall be :”

Coming into
force.

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

C A P . X X V I .

An Act to confer a privilege upon fathers or mothers of of families who have twelve children living.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is advisable, following the example of past centuries, to give marks of consideration for fruitfulness in the sacred bonds of matrimony ; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Section added
after R. S. Q.,
t. 4. c. 7, s. 12.

1. The following section is added to chapter seven of title four of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec :

SECTION XIII.

“ PRIVILEGE OF FATHERS OR MOTHERS OF FAMILIES WHO HAVE TWELVE CHILDREN LIVING.

Certain
fathers en-
titled to grant
of public
lands.

“ 1748*a*. Every father or mother of a family, born or naturalized and domiciled in this Province, who has twelve children living, born in lawful wedlock, is entitled to one hundred acres of public lands, to be selected by him, subject to the conditions of concession and settlement required by the law respecting Crown Lands.

Property in
such land.

“ 1748*b*. The enjoyment and usufruct of the said hundred acres of land shall belong to the father or mother of such twelve children, during his or her life-time, and the ownership, including the amounts expended thereon and improvements thereto, belongs to that one of the twelve children in whose favour the father, or, in case of his death, the mother, has made a donation or gift *inter vivos* or by will to be his homestead.

How to be dis-
posed of.

“ 1748*c*. In the event of the father or mother dying without making a donation as aforesaid, the property falls into the estate or succession.

If not disposed
of.