

“ § 4.—*Protection of bridges.*

“ **2972a.** Every owner of logs or other merchantable timber, who drives or has the same driven down the floatable rivers of this Province, shall station a sufficient member of men at every bridge, built at least three feet above high water mark, under which the said timber must pass, or shall take other precautions necessary to prevent any damage which might be caused. Men to be stationed at bridges to prevent accidents and damage.

In default of such precautions being taken, the owner of the timber, the driving or floating down of which has damaged or carried away such bridge, is (in addition to whatever recourse there may be against him) liable to a penalty of from ten to fifty dollars and costs, or an imprisonment of one month in default of payment thereof. Penalty in case of default.

“ **2972b.** Every suit for infringement of the preceding article may be instituted, by the owner of the bridge so carried away or damaged, within three months from the date of such infringement and not afterwards. Suits by whom and when to be brought.

Such suit may be brought before the Circuit Court of the county or the Magistrates' Court of the district or county in which the offense was committed. Before what court.

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

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

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

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

1. Paragraph 4 of article 3021 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended by adding after the second clause thereof the following : R. S. Q., art. 3021 § 4, amended :

“ The proprietors of every factory shall, after having been notified by the inspector, have the drains of such factory connected with the public sewage system of the locality. Drains to be connected with public sewage system if required.

2. Paragraph 2 of article 3024 of the said Revised Statutes is amended so as to read as follows : R. S. Q., art. 3024, § 2, amended :

“ 2. No machinery other than steam-engines shall be cleaned while in motion, nor shall any driving shafts, Machinery &c., not to be cleaned &c.,

when in motion.

gearing or pulleys be oiled or greased while in motion, if the inspector so direct by written notice.

Belting to be removed only with certain appliances.

No employee shall be allowed to take off or replace the belts on any pulley of a machine in motion unless he uses special catches which the inspector may require for such purpose."

R. S. Q., art. 3024 amended :

3. The following paragraphs are added after the first clause of paragraph 5 of the said article 3024 of the said Revised Statutes :

Low water alarm to be placed on boilers.
How to be attached.

" 6. Steam boilers shall be provided with a low water alarm placed on top when they are horizontal or in the most convenient position when they are upright.

In all cases, such alarm must be attached to the boiler independently of the glass guage and try cocks.

Signal to be used to notify employees that machinery is to be placed in motion.

" 7. The inspector may, in certain establishments, require the use of a whistle or signal to notify the employees that the machinery is to be placed in motion, and also that an alarm apparatus be placed in each compartment where machines are in motion so as to enable the engineer to stop the machinery as soon as an accident happens."

R. S. Q., art. 3025 § 3 amended :
Dimensions and form of fire-escapes.

4. Paragraph 3 of article 3025 is amended by adding the following after the first clause thereof :

" The dimensions and form of the fire-escapes aforesaid may be prescribed by the inspector, and the responsibility of their construction rests with the proprietor of the establishment."

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An Act to amend article 3026 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, respecting persons employed in factories.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

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

R. S. Q., 3026, amended :

1. Article 3026 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph :

Children under certain age not to be employed in certain establishments.

" 3. No male child aged less than fourteen years, and no girl aged less than fifteen years, can be employed in any factory mentioned in a list showing the establishments that are considered unhealthy by the inspector, which list shall have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council."