

C. S. L. C., c. 75, s. 1, § 11, amended.

2. Subsection 11 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada is amended in consequence of the preceding provision.

C A P . V I .

An Act respecting the Law Officers of the Crown.

[Assented to 9th May, 1885.]

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

Law officers of the Crown.

1. The Law Officers of the Crown in the Province of Quebec are the Attorney General and Solicitor General ; they are the recognized officers of the Crown referred to in article 19 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

45 V., c. 2, s. 2, amended.

2. Section two of the act 45 Victoria, chapter 2, is amended by adding thereto, after the words " the Attorney General," the following, " the Solicitor General."

Construction of 40 V., cc. 9 and 10.

3. The acts 40 Victoria, chapters 9 and 10 shall be read and construed as including the Department of the Law Officers of the Crown.

Certain officers may hold office of Solicitor-General along with office held by them.

4. With the exception of the Attorney General, any one of the functionaries named in section 2 of the act 45 Victoria, chapter 2, being an advocate of this Province, may, in conjunction with the office held by him, be appointed to and hold that of Solicitor General, without thereby being entitled to any additional emolument, and without his seat, if he is a member of the Legislative Assembly, thereby becoming vacant.

Assistant of the Law Officers of the Crown.

5. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint, by commission or during pleasure, an officer under the Attorney General and Solicitor General, to be called the " Assistant of the Law Officers of the Crown."

Powers, &c., of Attorney General and Solicitor General.

6. The rights, powers, duties, functions and privileges, appertaining to the office of Attorney General and Solicitor General, respectively, and by them or either of them exercised in the Province of Canada, at or before the date of the passing of the " British North America Act, 1867," and since that date, in the Province of Quebec, are the rights, powers, duties, functions, and privileges

which hereafter shall appertain to the said offices, respectively, and be enjoyed, possessed, and exercised by the Attorney General and Solicitor General or either of them, unless it be otherwise provided for in or by virtue of the present act.

7. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Attorney General, or in his absence or disability, or at his request, the Solicitor General shall have power to exercise all the duties of that office.

Solicitor General may act for Attorney General.

This rule will also apply to the Attorney General in the case of a vacancy in the office of Solicitor General or in his absence or disability, or at his request.

Attorney General may act for Solicitor General.

8. The Attorney General and Solicitor General shall give their advice and opinion upon questions of law whenever required by the Lieutenant Governor in council, or by any of the heads of the departments.

Law Officers to give opinions, &c., to Lieutenant Governor.

The head of any of the Departments may require the Law Officers of the Crown, or either of them, to give an opinion on any questions of law arising in the administration of his department.

Heads of departments may require opinion from law officers.

The law officer to whom any such question is submitted may, unless it involves the construction of the "British North America Act, 1867," refer the same to his assistant for his opinion in writing, which, if approved and countersigned by the said law officer, shall be taken to be the opinion of the latter.

Law officer may refer question to assistant.

9. All questions of law and legal proceedings generally, such as petitions of right, suits and the like, arising in the Department of Railways, either out of the construction, working or sale of the railway heretofore known as the "Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway," or in reference to other railway matters, and in which the Government or the Province of Quebec is interested, as well as all questions of law and legal proceedings generally arising in the Treasury Department, respecting the revenue, and in the Department of Crown Lands, respecting the public domain, shall be under the direction and control of the Solicitor General.

Special duties, &c., of Solicitor General.

10. The duties of the Attorney General and Solicitor General may, from time to time, for a limited term or otherwise, be more fully determined and defined by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and, in the same manner, other duties may be assigned to them or either of them.

Further duties, &c., of law officers may be defined, &c.

46 V., c. 3 and
inconsistent
enactments
repealed.

11. The act 46 Victoria, chapter 3, is repealed as well as all enactments inconsistent or incompatible with the provisions of this act.

Coming into
force.

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

C A P . V I I .

An Act to amend the laws respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works.

[Assented to 9th May, 1885.]

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

32 V., c. 15, s.
36, 41 V., c. 5,
s. 4, 47 V., c.
6, s. 6, amend-
ed.

1. Section 36 of the act 32 Victoria, chapter 15, is amended by striking out the first two lines of the said section, as also paragraphs 1 and 2 thereof, as replaced by the act 41 Victoria, chapter 5, section 4, and amended by the act 47 Victoria, chapter 6, section 6, and by replacing them by the following :

Commissioner
may :

“ 36. The Commissioner, by order of the Lieutenant-Governor in council shall have power :

Organize per-
manent com-
mittee on agri-
cultural exhi-
bitions.

a. To organize a permanent committee on agricultural and industrial provincial exhibitions, composed of ten members appointed by him the said Commissioner, of whom five shall be selected from the council of agriculture and five from the council of arts and manufactures.

Such committee shall be under the direction of the Commissioner, who may appoint to form part thereof as many additional members as he may deem expedient, such members to be selected in equal numbers from each council.

With the approval of the Commissioner, the committee, shall establish the conditions and make all such regulations it may deem necessary, for the complete management of the said exhibitions, which shall be held at least once in every three years.

No sum of money set apart for or arising from such exhibitions shall, in any case, be expended without the previous consent of the Commissioner.

The secretary of the council of agriculture and the secretary of the council of arts and manufactures shall be bound to give to the said committee all the assistance it may require from them.

May suspend
its functions
and replace it

b. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions it shall be lawful for the Commissioner, upon the order of the Lieuten-