

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repealed.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 The act 46 Victoria, chapter 3, is repealed as well as all enactments inconsistent or incompatible with the provisions of this act.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

ant-Governor in council, when he deems it expedient, to suspend the exercise of the functions of such permanent exhibition committee and to replace it, for the space of time which he shall deem proper to fix, by one or more joint stock companies regularly incorporated for such purpose, in the manner and upon the conditions required by the acts respecting joint stock companies, and to give them power to organize and manage the said exhibitions, provided such organization and such management be at their own proper charges.

The Commissioner may, for such purpose, and upon such conditions as he may be pleased to impose, transfer to them, for the same space of time, the usufruct and enjoyment of the public lands and buildings set apart for the purposes of such exhibitions.

In the arrangements which shall be made with such companies, the Commissioner shall reserve a control sufficient to guarantee that the public interests be protected and that the chief purpose of such exhibitions be attained.

c. Notwithstanding section 109 of the act 41 Victoria, chapter 3, respecting auctioneers, agricultural societies may, at the time of their exhibitions, sell by auction the farm animals exhibited by them, or cause them to be sold by any unlicensed person, without being obliged to pay the duty required by law.

2. It shall be the duty of the council of agriculture, and it shall have power: "

2. The following paragraph is added to the said section 36 of the act 32 Victoria, chapter 15, after paragraph 10: 32 V., c. 15, s. 36, amended.

"10a. To establish pedigree books for the different breeds of farm animals introduced into this province, and specially for Canadian cattle and Canadian horses.

The Canadian breed shall, in both cases, comprise the animals having the distinctive characteristics of the animals originally imported from France during the first years of this colony.

2. To take steps to ascertain and make known the best milch cows in the province, either by general exhibitions or private inspection, and

For this purpose to cause their yield in milk and butter to be established by sworn evidence and to enter the results obtained in a special book to be called the "Golden register"; in which no entries shall be made unless the results obtained exceed a large average.

Such average shall be determined by the council.

3. From time to time to publish extracts from the "Golden register," in the manner which the council may shall deem most advantageous.

4. To make regulations tending to give the greatest possible practical value to such pedigree books, and "Golden register," and for such purpose to associate with it such persons as the Commissioner may designate, with the view of insuring the execution of the provisions of the law in this respect."

32 V., c. 13, s. 36, further amended.
Meetings of agricultural societies.

3. The following paragraph is added after paragraph 13 of the said section 36 of the said act :

" 14. To direct the members of agricultural societies to hold, at least twice a year, parochial or township meetings, convened and presided over by the senior director in office of such parish or township.

At such meetings shall be submitted the questions which the Commissioner or Council of Agriculture has referred to them, upon which the said meetings shall pronounce after discussing the same and shall report to the Commissioner through the secretary of the society within the prescribed delays."

32 V., c. 15, s. 83, and 47 V., c. 6, s. 5, amended.

4. Section 83 of the said act, as amended by the act 47 Victoria, chapter 6, section 5, is further amended by adding thereto the following paragraph :

Appropriation of grant.

" An annual sum of fifty thousand dollars shall be appropriated out of the consolidated revenue fund for the payment of such grant."

32 V., c. 15, s. 86, amended.

5. The following section is added to the said act after section 86 thereon.

Application of balance of grant.

" 86*a*. Any balance of the fifty thousand dollars appropriated for the payment of the grants in favor of the societies, which shall remain after the fifteenth of September and which shall represent grants suppressed under the law, shall be distributed by the Council of Agriculture in equal proportions between the societies which shall have complied in all respects with its regulations adopted with respect to them by the said Council, or to the instructions transmitted to them by the Commissioner, with this reservation that, whenever more than one society shall be organized in a county, the societies in such county having a right thereto shall divide equally among themselves the sum coming to their county."

32 V., c. 15, s. 87, replaced.

6. Section 87 of the said act is repealed and replaced by the following :

Payment of grant and percentage to be retained thereon.

" 87. The public grant to which agricultural societies are respectively entitled, shall be paid to them upon the order of the Commissioner; but, whether such grant be or be not claimed he may retain eighteen per cent out of

each grant, of which ten per cent shall be for the use of the Council of Agriculture and eight per cent shall be appropriated for agricultural instruction."

C A P . V I I I .

An Act to amend section 96 of "The Quebec License Law of 1878."

[Assented to 9th May, 1855.]

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

1. The following paragraph is added to article 96 of ^{41 V., c. 3, s. 16, amended.} "The Quebec License Law of 1878"

"And every person, whether a minor or of the age of majority, who purchases, from any person licensed under this act or unlicensed, intoxicating liquors for a person reputed to be an habitual drunkard, is liable for each such offence to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars or an imprisonment not exceeding three months in default of payment." ^{Persons purchasing liquor for an habitual drunkard liable to certain fine.}

C A P . I X .

An Act to amend the Quebec License Law of 1878, as regards the storage of gunpowder and other explosives.

[Assented to 9th May, 1885.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the existing ^{Preamble.} regulations respecting the storage of gunpowder and other explosives required to be used in quarrying; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The following paragraph is added to article 185 of ^{41 V., c. 3, s. 185, amended.} the Quebec Licence Law of 1878:

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, notwithstanding any law to the contrary at present in force, on such conditions and under such regulations as he deems fit, permit the storage of gunpowder and other explosives in the vicinity of any quarries being worked in the Province of Quebec, although the same may be in proximity to cities or towns." ^{Gunpowder, &c., may be stored in certain places, under certain conditions.}