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An Act respecting escheats and property confiscated to the Crown.

[Assented to 9th May, 1885.]

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

Control of escheated and confiscated property to be under Commissioner of Crown Lands.

**1.** Property that has devolved or shall devolve upon the Crown by escheat and property confiscated for any cause whatever, except for crime, are under the control of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Property may be sold, &c.

**2.** Such property may be sold, ceded, and transferred by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon such conditions as he may impose.

Property may be otherwise disposed of.

**3.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may also dispose of the whole or part of such property gratuitously, with or without conditions, in favor of any person whatever, with the view either of transferring it to some person having claims to exercise or equitable rights against the person who had been proprietor, or to carry out the intentions or wishes of such person, or to reward those who discovered or made known the existence of such property.

Crown's interest in such property may also be disposed of.

**4.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may also dispose of, gratuitously or by onerous title, in the manner regulated by sections 1 and 2 of this act, all interest in, rights over or pretensions to the said property; and the transferee may in his own name apply to the courts to be placed in possession and adopt all proceedings which the Crown might adopt.

Certain property not affected by this act.

**5.** This act shall not apply to confiscated or escheated property with respect to which there exist special statutes.

Coming into force.

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