

this province under the act 45 Victoria, chapter 24, upon the handing over by the company to the government of bonds or debentures issued under the act 45 Victoria, chapter 62, section 7, for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Provided that, before making any arrangement with the said company, the mortgages at present upon the property of the company shall be fully discharged, and the debentures issued by the company shall be constituted and made a first mortgage upon the property of the company as security for the payment of the said debentures and interest thereon; and that no further mortgage shall be placed upon the said property until the said debentures and interest are fully paid; and the said company is hereby authorized to create and constitute and make and sign a mortgage as mentioned in this proviso.

2 If, within five years after the coming into force of this act, the said company have, for a period of three years continued the manufacture of beet sugar, such debentures shall be handed over to the company, from year to year, as the subsidy, under the acts of this province 38 Victoria, chapter 4, and 39 Victoria, chapter 5, is earned by the company.

3. If, during the said period of five years, the company shall not have so manufactured beet sugar as provided in the previous section, the debentures of the company shall then become the property of the Government, and interest thereon shall be paid so long as they remain in the possession of the Government, and until they are finally paid by the company.

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

CAP. XXVII.

An Act to amend the act of this Province, 46 Victoria, chapter 8, respecting the management of public lands adjoining non-navigable streams and lakes in the province of Quebec; and the exercise of the fishing rights thereto pertaining.

[Assented to 10th June, 1884.]

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

46 V., c. 8, s. 2, replaced.

1. Section 2 of the act 46 Victoria, chapter 8, is repealed, and is replaced by the following:

Duration of leases of land: along salmon rivers.

"2. No lease shall be so granted for a period longer than five years from the date thereof; and in the case of lands situate along rivers known as 'Salmon Rivers,' leases therefor shall be made only to and in favor of the highest bidder, after the same shall have been put up to public competition, of which at least one month's notice shall be given in the 'Quebec Official Gazette,' and in such other way as to the Commissioner of Crown Lands may seem the most advantageous.

Proviso.

Provided always that the price offered be at least equal to the upset price fixed by the Commissioner, and that if not sold, the Commissioner may afterwards, by private sale, dispose of the said leases at such upset price, or for a greater sum.

Indemnity to previous lessee for actual value of improvements in event of property being leased to another.

Whenever a lease of lands, previously under lease to one person, is adjudged to another person, the new lessee shall be held to indemnify the previous lessee for the real and not artificial value of any necessary buildings or improvements existing on the land leased, which value, in case of any difference of opinion, shall be definitely fixed and determined by the Commissioner of Crown Lands; and such new lessee shall not be entitled to receive a lease until he shall have furnished proof that he has so indemnified the previous lessee.

Proviso as to lands leased being already included in existing lease.

And if, in consequence of any incorrectness of survey or other error or cause whatsoever, a lease is found to comprise lands included in a lease of a prior date, the lease last granted shall be void in so far as it interferes with the one previously issued, and the holder or proprietor of the lease so rendered void, shall have no claim for indemnity or compensation by reason of such avoidance."

Appointment of guardians.

2. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may, upon the recommendation of the lessees of fishing rights, or without such recommendation, appoint as many guardians as may be deemed necessary for the effectual protection of the fisheries in the different rivers and lakes under his control.

Oath of guardians.

Such guardians shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties and especially to prevent the taking or killing, or attempting to take or kill fish in the waters under their charge by illegal means, or at times when the taking or killing of fish is prohibited by law.

Term of service and by whom paid.

They shall be employed for such length of time as the Commissioner of Crown Lands shall consider necessary; and their services shall be paid for by the lessees.

3. It shall be made a condition of leases of lands conveying fishing rights that lessees shall, as soon as possible after the close of each angling season, transmit to the Department of Crown Lands a statement of the number and weight of fish caught in the waters affected by such leases. Statement to be furnished by lessees.
4. Leases of lands to convey fishing rights shall be made subject to a general right of passage to and from the water in favor of the occupants, if any, under title from the Crown, of the lands immediately in rear of those leased. Right of passage reserved.
5. Leases of lands conveying fishing rights shall be made in the name of one person only, who shall be recognized as the lessee. Leases to be made in the name of one person.
6. Excessive or wasteful fishing or killing of salmon or trout shall involve the cancellation of the lease covering the waters in which it has taken place; and the lessee who has been guilty of such excessive or wasteful fishing shall not be eligible to receive another lease of fishing rights or permit or license to fish within this Province. Cancellation of lease in certain cases.
7. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, to reserve from lease for one or more years, for purposes of improvement, any river or lake not leased or part thereof, the exclusive right of fishing in which is vested in the Crown. Rivers, &c., may be reserved for certain time.
8. The Commissioner of Crown Lands may, with the consent of the owners, and for purposes of management only, assume the control of fishing rights pertaining to granted lands fronting on any river or lake, with a view to improving or leasing the same in connection with those pertaining to ungranted lands fronting on the same river or lake, and paying over to the private owners of such fishing rights a proportionate share of the rent received for the whole. Commissioner may, with consent of owners, assume control of fishing rights fronting on lakes, &c., for certain purposes. Share of rent paid to owners.
9. It is obligatory upon any person who has no domicile in the Province of Quebec, and who desires to fish in the salmon rivers under the control of this Province, to procure a permit or license to that effect from the Commissioner of Crown Lands before beginning to fish. Licenses to be obtained by certain persons.
- Such license shall be granted upon the payment of a fee of ten dollars, and shall be valid until the close of the angling season of the year in which it is granted. Price of license.

Exemption in favor of lessees of fishing rights. Lessees of fishing rights from the Crown are exempt from the obligation imposed by this section; but no more than two persons shall be exempt under any lease, notwithstanding any arrangement that may exist with regard to the payment of rent.

Interpretation. **F.** This act shall be read and construed as though forming part of the act hereby amended; and the two so united shall be known and may be cited under the name of "The Quebec Fisheries Act."

Coming into force. **F.** This act, with the exception of the first section thereof, shall come into force on the day of its sanction, and the said first section shall come into and be in force only on and after the first day of September next.

CAP. XXVIII.

An Act to repeal section 12 of chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting good order in and near places of public worship.

[Assented to 10th June, 1884.]

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

C. S. L. C., c. 22, section 12, repealed. **1.** Section 12 of chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, respecting good order in and near places of public worship, is hereby repealed.

CAP. XXIX.

An Act to amend the act of this Province, 46 Victoria, chapter 21 intituled: "An Act to amend the law respecting public instruction, in so far as respects the Town of Richmond.

[Assented to 10th June, 1884.]

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

46 V., c. 21, s. 3, replaced. **1.** Section 3 of the act 46 Victoria, chapter 21, is repealed, and the following substituted therefor :