

CAP. XIII.

An Act to amend the law respecting Jurors in Civil cases, and the qualification of jurors in the County of Gaspé.

[Assented to 1st February, 1870.]

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

1. In addition to the persons exempt absolutely by article 360 of the code of civil procedure from serving as jurors in civil cases, the following persons shall likewise be absolutely exempt :

Art. 360 C. C. P.—additional exemptions from serving as jurors.

1. Members of the Privy Council, or of the Senate or of the House of Commons of Canada, or persons in the employ of the government of Canada ;

2. Members of the Executive Council, Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly of Quebec, or persons in the employ of the government of Quebec, or of the legislature thereof ;

3. The clerk, treasurer and other municipal officers of the cities of Quebec and Montreal ;

4. Officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the active militia ;

5. Registrars ;

6. The persons mentioned in section twenty-three of the act fourth and fifth Victoria, chapter ninety.

2. Article 376 of the said code of civil procedure is hereby amended by substituting for the words " twenty-five dollars," in the said article, the words " one hundred dollars "

Art. 376, C. C. P.—amended.

3. When more than one member of any commercial firm have been summoned to attend as jurors, before any court, or upon any trial in civil or criminal cases, the court or judge presiding at such trial may, in his discretion, exempt all the members except one of such firm, notwithstanding that no notice may have been given of the intention to claim exemption.

One member only of a commercial firm obliged to serve as juror.

4. Sections two and three of the act thirty-second Victoria, chapter twenty-two, in so far as regards the value of the property required to qualify grand and petit jurors shall not apply to the county of Gaspé, but in that county such value shall be as follows :

Secs. 2, 3 of 32 Vic., c. 22 not to apply to county of Gaspé.

For grand jurors, in the case of proprietors, an assessed total value of over one thousand dollars, and, in the case of occupants and lessees, an assessed annual value of above one hundred dollars.

Qualification of jurors in county of Gaspé.

For petit jurors in the case of proprietors an assessed total value of at least four hundred dollars, but not more than one thousand dollars, and in the case of occupants and lessees, an assessed annual value of at least forty dollars, but not more than one hundred dollars.

C A P . X I V .

An Act respecting the duties of certain Judicial Offices in cases of vacancy.

[Assented to 1st February, 1870.]

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

Duties of sheriffs, &c., in case death, &c., discharged pro. tem. by the deputy.

1. Any deputy appointed by any sheriff, prothonotary or clerk of the circuit court, may, in the event of the death, removal, suspension or resignation of the said officer, discharge his duties until a successor shall be appointed to such officer.

Deputies and successors may complete the acts, &c., of sheriffs, &c., in the event of death, &c.

2. Any duty prescribed by law which, at the time of his death, removal, suspension or resignation, shall not have been discharged by any sheriff, prothonotary or clerk of the circuit court, may have been and may be performed and discharged by his deputy or by his successor, and all the acts registered but not signed or not completed, by such sheriff, prothonotary or clerk of the circuit court, may have been and may be signed or completed by his deputy or by his successor.

C A P . X V .

An Act respecting the Tariffs of Fees of certain Officers of Justice.

[Assented to 1st February, 1870.]

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

Lieut.-Gov. in Council may make, &c., tariffs of fees of high constables, &c., for certain services.

1. The lieutenant-governor in council may from time to time make, modify, or repeal any tariff of fees payable to high constables, bailiffs or constables, for their services in the execution of any order of justices of the peace, of the court of Queen's bench, in the exercise of its original jurisdiction in criminal matters, or of the court of quarter sessions or general sessions of the peace, in any district of this province ; and may revoke any tariff, for the officers

