

CAP. XVIII.

An Act to amend the law respecting Fishing in this Province.

[Assented to 21st March, 1889.]

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

1. The following article is added after article 1393 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec :

Art. added after R. S. Q., 1393.

"1393a. Every fishery overseer or magistrate shall seize, or cause to be seized, all fish taken or kept in contravention of the laws and regulations in force in this province.

Seizure of fish taken in contravention of the law.

Without prejudice to the provisions of the third paragraph of article 1376, all the materials, fishing appliances and other effects carried away, as well as the fish seized, become, *ipso facto*, the property of the fishery overseer or magistrate who made or gave the order for the seizure, unless, upon summary petition the Circuit Court or Superior Court, according to the value of the effects in question, otherwise decides.

Materials, fishing appliances, &c., seized to become property of overseer, &c.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, in all cases in which he deems it equitable and not contrary to the proper administration of the law, may, upon petition of the person condemned, cause the whole or a part of the effects seized to be returned upon the conditions which he deems expedient to impose.

Commissioner may return part upon petition.

A report of the proceedings shall be immediately made to the Commissioner by the fishery overseer or the magistrate.

Report to Commissioner.

2. The provisions of article 1395 apply to this article for all that concerns the limits of the several fishery divisions.

Application of art. 1395.

3. The government shall not be held responsible for any costs incurred in virtue of the above mentioned proceedings."

Government not liable for costs.

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

Coming into force.