

CAP. XIX.

An Act to amend the Game Laws.

[Assented to 21st March, 1889.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the Game Laws ;
Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and
consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

R. S. Q., art.
1396, §§ 1 and
2 replaced.

1. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 1396 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec are replaced by the following :

Close season
for deer ;

“ 1. Deer, between the first day of January and the first day of October, in each year ;

For moose and
caribou.

“ 2. Moose and caribou, between the first day of February and the first of September, in each year.”

CAP. XX.

An Act establishing Provincial Agricultural Competitions and Distinctions for Agricultural Merit.

[Assented to 21st March, 1889.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is necessary to further encourage agriculture in the Province and to establish special honorary rewards in favor of the most skilful practical agriculturists ; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Section IVa
added to R. S.
Q., title 4,
chapter 7.

1. The following provisions shall form section IVa of chapter seventh of title fourth of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec :

SECTION IVa.

PROVINCIAL COMPETITIONS AND DISTINCTIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL MERIT.

§ 1.—*Provincial Competitions.*

Certain pro-
vincial com-
petitions
when to be
held.

“ **1615a.** Every year following that during which the usual competitions of counties or divisions of counties for the best kept farms have been held, there is held for the whole province a competition of agricultural merit among those who, in the competitions of counties or divisions of

counties, obtained prizes for the best kept farms, have given to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Colonization notice of their intention of taking part in the next provincial competition, and work farms of at least sixty arpents in superficies under cultivation.

“**1615b.** Such provincial competitions are regulated by rules made by the Commissioner of Agriculture and approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.” How regulated.

“**1615c.** The judges entrusted with deciding upon the merit of the competitors are appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in council, and, after the first competition held under this act, are chosen from the laureates who have obtained the degree of “distinguished merit” or “exceptionally distinguished merit.”” Who are to be judges thereat.

“**1615d.** Such judges shall forward to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Colonization a detailed report upon the farm and farming of each laureate ; and the Commissioner shall give all possible publicity to such reports, so that they may be instructive to other farmers.” Report to Commissioner and publication thereof.

“**1615e.** The farm of each laureate is *ipso facto* declared to be a model farm and ranks in that class in accordance with the reward given to the proprietor thereof.” Farm of laureate to be a model farm.

§ 2.—*Provincial distinctions for agricultural merit.*

“**1615f.** So as to encourage farmers by honors and rewards, the Lieutenant-Governor in council may, as herein-after prescribed, confer certain distinctions upon those who have been successful competitors in the three following classes :

1. Agriculture ;
2. Market-gardening ;
3. Fruit culture.

“**1615g.** Such distinctions consist in :

1. A diploma and a silver medal for the person who at the competitions has obtained the degree of “distinguished merit,” In what distinctions are to consist.
2. A diploma and bronze medal for the person who has obtained the degree of “great merit.”
3. A diploma for the person who has obtained the degree of “merit.”

1615h. “Distinguished merit” is granted to the person who has obtained at the competition 85 out of the one hundred points allowed for perfect cultivation ; “Distinguished merit” when obtained.

"Great merit."

"Great merit" is granted to the person who has obtained 75 per cent of the same points, and

"Merit."

"Merit" to the person who has obtained 65 per cent.

Granting of diplomas, &c., how regulated.

"**1615i.** The granting of the diplomas and medals, as well as their description, is regulated by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Certain laureates not to compete again. Special diploma may however be granted under certain conditions.

"**1615j.** The laureates of distinguished merit are excluded from further competing.

However, the person who has most distinguished himself during five years in maintaining perfection in farming, to which he owes the honorary distinction borne by him, may, upon the report of the judges to that effect and upon the recommendation of the Council of Agriculture approved by the Commissioner, receive a gold medal similar to his silver medal, with an additional diploma setting forth the facts, and the words "Exceptionally distinguished merit."

Persons may compete until they receive certain distinction.

"**1615k.** Those having received the distinction of "great merit" and "merit" may always compete so long as they are not laureates of "distinguished merit."

Only one diploma for same degree of merit.

"**1615l.** A person who has already received a diploma cannot receive a second diploma for the same degree of merit."

Coming into force.

2. This act shall come into force on the day which the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may be pleased to fix by proclamation.

C A P . X X I .

An Act to amend article 1651 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, respecting directors of agricultural societies.

[Assented to 21st March, 1889.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS paragraphs 2 and 3 of article 1651 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec occasion serious inconvenience and it is expedient to remedy the same; therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

S. R. Q., art. 1651 amended.

1. Article 1651 of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec is amended by adding the word "resident" before the word "director" in the first line thereof.