

WOODS AND FORESTS.

- Reserve tracts for timber may be set apart.** LXXIV. Whereas it is of the highest importance that means should be adopted for preserving and ensuring a permanent supply of fuel and timber necessary for the various requirements and interests of the Country,—it is enacted, that the Governor in Council may set apart out of the public lands, tracts of land not exceeding acres at any one place, and may direct that such tracts be surveyed and the limits thereof fixed. 5
- Name.** LXXV. The said tracts shall be known and designated as the “Forests of the Public Domain.”
- How to be managed.** LXXVI. The woods and forests of the public domain shall be subjected to a system of management to be regulated by orders in Council, and the cutting and treatment of the timber therein shall be regulated in like manner. 10
- Powers of Commissioner.** LXXVII. The powers vested in the Commissioner of the public lands in relation to the public lands shall be vested in the Commissioner with respect to the administration of the forests of the public domain and the cutting and treatment of timber therein. 15
- Conditions of timber licenses to be advertised.** LXXVIII. The conditions on which the woods and timber may be cut and got out shall be published in the *Canada Gazette* and in such Newspapers as may be designated by the Commissioner. 20
- Sales to be by auction.** LXXIX. All sales in the woods and forests of the public domain shall be by public auction, of which at least two months previous notice shall be given. 25
- Any other to be void.** LXXX. Any sale made otherwise than by public auction, shall be deemed a clandestine sale, and shall be declared void.
- Agents and Officers not to be purchaser.** LXXXI. Neither agents or officers of the Land Department or of any other public Department, nor any person appointed to effect such sales; shall be parties to such sales, either themselves or by the intervention of other persons directly or indirectly, either as partners or as sureties. 30
- Penalty for contravention.** LXXXII. And every contravention shall be punishable by a fine which shall not exceed one fourth nor be less than one twelfth of the amount of the purchase money, and the offenders shall moreover be liable to imprisonment for any period not exceeding two years, at the discretion of the Court. 35
- Secret associations to influence bidding to be punishable.** LXXXIII. Any secret association or intrigue among lumber merchants or others tending to prejudice or disturb the bidding, or entered into with the view of obtaining the timber at a lower price, shall be punishable by the like penalties, forfeiture 40