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AN ACT TO REGULATE THE EMPLOYMENT OF MEN ENGAGED IN LOGGING.

Be it enacted by the Governor, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, as follows:—

1. In this Act the Employer shall be held to mean the individual or company which engages or pays the workmen concerned.

Loggers shall be held to mean men engaged in the physical work of cutting, hauling, driving, piling and handling of trees and their conveyance to a mill or factory, or to a shipping port, and cooks and helpers engaged in maintaining the camps and the logging operations in the woods.

2. The Minister of Agriculture and Mines shall appoint one or more inspectors, whose duty it shall be to see that the provisions of this Act are observed and enforced.

3. In the absence of any special agreement no logger shall, during the logging season, terminate his contract of employment, unless he shall give to his employer, or his employer's agent, at least one week's previous notice of his intention to do so.

Any logger leaving his employment without giving such notice shall forfeit to his employer one week's wages.

4. The employer shall pay in cash or cheque to the logger the amount of wages due under his contract of employment, within twenty-four hours of time when his time-slip and ticket as provided in Section 5 is presented at the usual place of payment of such wages. If the employer shall fail to pay such wages on that day, he shall pay to such logger, in addition to the wages so due, a sum of one dollar for every day during which such default shall continue, to be recovered as part of such wages in an action against the employer at the suit of such logger.

5. Within two weeks after loggers are engaged they shall each be supplied with tickets, signed by or on behalf of the employer, stating the rate of wages to be paid.

6. Not later than every alternate Tuesday the employer or his agent shall give to each logger a written statement of the time during the previous two weeks, up to and including the previous Saturday, for which he is entitled to be paid.

7. Each logging camp shall contain a sleeping compartment and an eating compartment, and the sleeping compartment shall be comfortably heated, and the sleeping berths shall be fitted, subject to the approval of the Government Inspector.

8. The Government Inspector shall in each year prescribe the manner in which sleeping berths shall be fitted, as required by Section 5, and shall

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notify the employer thereof not later than the First day of July in each year, and publication thereof in the "Royal Gazette" shall be conclusive evidence of such notice.

9. After making proper enquiry a schedule of food to be supplied to loggers while engaged in logging operations shall be prepared by the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, and published in the "Royal Gazette" not later than the First day of April in each year, and the food so prescribed shall be supplied by employers to the loggers working for them, under a penalty not exceeding five hundred (\$500) for each offence: Provided that not more than one penalty shall be payable for breach of this section upon any one day in any one camp.

10. The employer shall, upon request of a logger, supply him with all necessary bed-clothes at actual cost and expense.

11. Employers shall supply loggers with axes and axe-handles free of cost. If an axe be lost, the value thereof shall be deducted from the wages of the loser. A logger breaking more than one axe-handle during a week shall pay the cost of handle or handles supplied to him in place thereof.

12. Logging camps erected hereafter shall be lined or ceiled with paper or board in the inside of the walls and roof, or covered with board and tarred felt on the outside, or maintained in a water-tight condition. The floors of camp shall be constructed of boards or logs flattened on three sides. It shall be the duty of the Inspector to report immediately to the Minister of Agriculture and Mines upon any unsuitable camps inspected by him, and the said Minister shall call the attention of the person or company responsible, who shall forthwith cause the said camps to conform with this section.

13. Employers shall cause a physician to visit each logging camp at least once in each month when loggers are occupying the same, except in case of employers with less than one hundred employees. No charge shall be made the loggers for medical services of the doctor so supplied unless a doctor visits the camp each month, in which case forty cents per month shall be paid as a doctor's fee by each logger.

14. Board and lodging in the camp shall be afforded by the employers to the Government Inspectors when such accommodation is requested, the same to be paid for by the parties accommodated. Provided the person so accommodated shall in all respects conform to and observe the rules and discipline for the time being in force in such camp.

15. Upon complaint of neglect of duty, signed by not less than fifty loggers, Inspectors complained of shall be dismissed by the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, unless the Minister after enquiry is satisfied that the complaint is unfounded. No complaints shall be acted upon until the signatures thereto have been proved by the affidavit of some person.

16. Once each month Inspectors shall report to the Minister of Agriculture and Mines upon the following, in writing:—

- (a) The number of camps visited;
- (b) The condition thereof;
- (c) The number of men occupying the same, and wages paid them per month;
- (d) The quality of food supplied;
- (e) Particulars of all breaches or complaints under this Act, and the action taken in connection therewith;
- (f) All further information bearing upon camp life and its operation.

17. Except where otherwise provided herein, the penalty for a breach hereof shall, for each offence, be a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or in default of payment, imprisonment, or not more than three months. This fine shall be paid to the Minister of Agriculture, for the use of the Colony.

18. Every breach of the provisions of this Act shall be reported in writing to the employer by the said inspector, and in the event of such not being remedied, within ten days after the report thereof shall have been served on the employer, proceedings shall be instituted to recover the fines and penalties created by this Act, and in the name of the said inspector in a summary manner before a Stipendiary Magistrate.

An Act To Amend 4 George V., Chapter 17

Entitled "An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills"—Passed June 5th, 1915

Be it enacted by the Governor, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, as follows:—

1. Section 1 of the Act 4 George V., cap. 17, entitled "An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills," is hereby amended by the addition of the following Sub-section:

(h) The quantity of timber which a licensee under this section shall be permitted to manufacture in staves or heading for making barrels for fishery requirements or for the making of shingles, lobster laths, or lobster boxes, shall not exceed a total of 50,000 feet board measure in any one year.

But any person actually engaged in the construction of any boat or vessel may be permitted to have such quantity of lumber as may be bona fide required for such actual construction sawn or manufactured in a saw mill and such sawing or manufacture shall not be a violation of the provisions of this Act.

2. Section 2 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out from the said section the following words: "on what is known as the three-mile limit."

3. Section 3 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out from the said section the following words: "two thousand herring barrel staves shall equal 1,000 feet board measure," and substituting therefor the following words: "two thousand barrel staves shall equal 1,000 feet board measure."

4. The words "milling purposes" in section 6 of the Act 4 George V., Cap. 17, shall be held to mean sawing or otherwise manufacturing at a mill. The penalty for cutting timber on any lands reserved under the provisions of said section shall not be less than twice the value of such timber when sawn or manufactured, and shall be recovered in a summary manner from the owner of such mill by any person who shall sue for the same.

5. No person shall have any right of property in any timber cut on any Crown lands except under the provisions of a license, duly issued, unless he shall, within eighteen months from the date of cutting, remove such timber to a place of safety under his control.

Progress of Prohibition

A review of the work of the various legislatures which met this year shows that prohibition was among the foremost subjects dealt with. Florida and Alabama passed direct prohibition laws. The legislatures of Idaho, Iowa, Montana, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont and the territory of Alaska voted to submit the question to the people. Kansas, North Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia strengthened prohibition laws already on their books. State-wide prohibition was proposed in the assemblies of Connecticut, Indiana, Michigan, New Mexico, New York and Wyoming, and was defeated. Connecticut, however, went so far as to increase the cost of liquor licenses, 66 2-3 per cent., and for the first time placed social and fraternal organizations serving liquor to members under excise regulation.—Toledo: Blade.

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SUNDAY BALL IS ATTACKED

Lord's Day Alliance Takes Action Against Ottawa Team For Hull Games

Action has been taken the Hull courts, by Mr. J. E. Caldwell, acting for the Ottawa Lord's Day Alliance, to put a stop to the Sunday baseball which is played during the summer months at Dupuis Park, by the Canadian League teams.

Summonses were taken out this morning before Magistrate Goyette against Manager Frank Shaughnessy and the officers of the Ottawa Baseball Club, who are to appear in court on Tuesday next to answer to a charge of committing a breach of the Lord's Day Act, by conducting a game of baseball at Dupuis Park, at which admission was charged, on Sunday, May 23rd.

Cosy Dolan, Artie Lago, Petie Powers and Louis Paterson are also charged with taking part in the game in question.

There are four counts against Shaughnessy and the officers, viz., advertising the game, employing persons on Sunday, engaging in a performance for which a fee of 25 cents was charged, providing a performance in any place other than a church.

The Lord's Day Alliance took similar action last summer, but the case never came to court, as the prosecutions were not authorized by the attorney-general of the province of Quebec, as laid down in the statutes concerning the Lord's Day Act. This time, such authorization has been given by Sir Lomer Gouin, and the Lord's Day Alliance intends to make a test case to ascertain whether Sunday baseball can be legally stopped.

The outcome of the proceedings will be watched with much interest by Hull residents, as it is felt that the Lord's Day Alliance should prove successful in the closing of the theatres, ice cream parlors, etc., in the city will follow.

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