

‘ serves containing merchantable timber. But, while establishing that this scourge has existed for the last fifty years and has resisted all attempts at stamping it out by legislation, the Government contends there is only one effectual means of suppressing and eliminating the Squatter and that is to direct with method provincial colonization ; that is to render it accessible and practical by the creation of Colonization Reserves. Otherwise there will always be squatters, because there will always be men who prefer agricultural work to any other, and, who will set the laws at defiance in order to create for themselves a fief in the heart of the forest, unless there is some regular system permitting them to create this fief without placing themselves without the bounds of the law. ’

Establishment of the Reserves

ENTERPRISE OF MR.GOUIN

« The initiative of creating these Colonization Reserves was taken in 1902, by the