

person accused, and that his counsel or solicitor had a full opportunity of cross-examining the witness, then if the deposition purports to be signed by the judge or justice before whom the same purports to have been taken, it shall be read as evidence in the prosecution without further proof thereof, unless it is proved that such deposition was not in fact signed by the judge or justice purporting to have signed the same.

"2. In this section the word 'deposition' includes the evidence of a witness given at any former trial upon the same charge."

By inserting the following section immediately after section 701:—

"**701A.** In order to prove the age of a boy, girl, child or young person for the purposes of sections 181, 186, 210, 211, 216, 261, 269, 270, 283, 284 and 934A, the following shall be sufficient *prima facie* evidence:—

"(a.) Any entry or record by an incorporated society or its officers having had the control or care of the boy, girl, child or young person at or about the time of the boy, girl, child or young person being brought to Canada, if such entry or record has been made before the alleged offence was committed.

"(b.) In the absence of other evidence, or by way of corroboration of other evidence, the judge or, in cases where an offender is tried with a jury, the jury before whom an indictment for the offence is tried, or the justice before whom a preliminary inquiry thereinto is held, may infer the age from the appearance of the boy, girl, child or young person."

Section **702.**—By substituting the following therefor:—

"**702.** When any cards, dice, balls, counters, tables or other instruments of gaming used in playing any unlawful game are found in any house, room or place suspected to be used as a common gaming house, and entered under a warrant or order issued under this Act, or about the person of any of those who are found therein, it shall be *prima facie* evidence, on the trial of a prosecution under section 198 or section 199, that such house, room or place is used as a common gaming house, and that the persons found in the room or place where such tables or instruments of gaming are found were playing therein although no play was actually going on in the presence of the officer entering the same under such warrant or order, or in the presence of those persons by whom he is accompanied as aforesaid."

Section **703.**—By substituting the following therefor:—

"**703.** In any prosecution under section 198 for keeping a common gaming house, or under section 199 for playing or looking on while any other person is playing in a common gaming house, it shall be *prima facie* evidence that a house, room or place is used as a common gaming house, and that the persons found therein were unlawfully playing therein—