

determined by such inspector. Such delay must be as short as possible. *Art. 425.*

The rural inspector cannot order the making, in a rural municipality, of a new fence, or the repairing of an old one, when so dilapidated that the cost of repairing it would be equal to that of a new one, unless the party bound to do such work has received special notice in writing, to such effect, before the first day of the preceding month of December. *Art. 426.*

Article 423 relative to boundary ditches, applies also to persons liable for boundary fences. *Art. 427.*

The rural inspector of the division may authorize the opening of any trench or excavation in any public road, to enable a water-course to pass through the same.

Such trench or excavation must be indicated, both by day and night, in such a manner as to prevent all accident, under a penalty of the damages occasioned.

Within the forty-eight hours next after the commencement of the work upon the road, a suitable and solid bridge of the width of the road must be built over such water-course. This bridge continues to form part of the work of the water-course. *Art. 883.*