

shall refuse to fulfill any such engagement, or shall abandon his employer's service, during the term of his engagement, shall thereby incur a fine not exceeding ten pounds, or imprisonment for not more than one month.

Or seducing
away persons
engaged there-
from.

19. Whoever shall engage or endeavour to engage any person then engaged as aforesaid in any way to fish, or assist in any fishery, shall thereby incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds, or imprisonment for not more than one month.

Lien in favor
of fishermen.

20. Any person engaged to fish, or assist in any fishery, shall, for securing his wages, or share, have a first lien, preferable to that of any other creditor, upon the produce of his employer's fishery, and may recover the sum or share due to him before the nearest competent tribunal.

Penalty for
disturbing
oyster beds,
except at
times permit-
ted by order
of the Com-
missioner of
Crown Lands.

21. With a view to protect the Oyster Beds to be formed on the different parts of the Canadian bays and coasts, it shall not be lawful for any person to take Oysters, or in any way to injure or disturb such Oyster beds, until permitted to do so, by an order from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, which order shall be published in the Official Gazette and in such other newspapers as the Commissioner may direct, under a penalty of not more than twenty-five pounds, nor less than ten pounds, together with the forfeiture of the vessel and all the apparatus employed therein.

Meshes of cod
seines not to
be under a
certain size.

22. It shall not be lawful to use Mackerel, Herring, nor Caplin seines, for the taking of Codfish; and no Codfish seine shall be of a less sized mesh than three inches in extension in the arms, and two and a half inches in the bunt or bottom of the seine, under penalty, and on pain of the forfeiture of the seine.

Nets not to be
used in Bur-
lington Bay,
&c.

23. It shall not be lawful to fish with any kind of net or seine in Burlington Bay nor Dundas Marsh.

Period for sal-
mon fishing
limited.
Exception as
to fly-fishing.

24. It shall not be lawful to fish for, catch or kill salmon in any way whatever, between the first day of August, and the first day of March in any year; Except only, that it shall be lawful to fish for salmon, with a rod and line, in the manner known as fly-surface-fishing, from the first of March to the first of September in any year, in Upper or Lower Canada.

Also killing at
certain places.

25. It shall not be lawful to use any net, or to take salmon in any way whatever, at any salmon-leap, or where any artificial salmon pass shall have been constructed, nor in any pools or ponds where salmon are wont to spawn.

Main channel
of Rivers not

26. Whoever shall obstruct the main channel or course of any river, either by placing therein nets or fishing apparatus
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