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An Act for the regulation of Fishing and protection of Fisheries.

[Assented to 22nd May, 1868.]

**H**ER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :

## FISHERY OFFICERS.

1. The Governor may appoint Fishery Officers, whose powers and duties shall be defined by this Act and the Regulations made under it, and by instructions from the Department of Marine and Fisheries; and every Officer so appointed under oath of office and instructed to exercise magisterial powers, shall be *ex officio* a Justice of the Peace for all the purposes of this Act and the Regulations made under it, within the limits for which he is appointed to act as such Fishery Officer :

2. Each Fishery Officer shall take and subscribe the following oath :—

“ I, A. B., a Fishery Officer in and for the district described in my appointment, do solemnly swear, that to the best of my judgment, I will faithfully, honestly and impartially fulfil, execute and perform the office and duty of such Officer according to the true intent and meaning of the Fisheries Act and Regulations, and in accordance with my instructions. So help me God. ”

## FISHERY LEASES AND LICENSES.

2. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries may, where the exclusive right of fishing does not already exist by law, issue or authorize to be issued fishery leases and licenses for fisheries and fishing wheresoever situated or carried on ; but leases or licenses for any term exceeding nine years shall be issued only under authority of an Order of the Governor in Council.