

The Saskatchewan Natural Resources Act (c. 41 of the Statutes of 1930) was similarly amended by c. 51 of the Statutes.

Justice.—The Canada Evidence Act (c. 59, R.S.C., 1927) was amended by c. 5, as regards proof of entries in Dominion books, so as to make the sworn official statement that, after search of the records, no trace of the issuance of a licence or other document has been found, proof that such has not been issued.

C. 28 of the Statutes amended the Criminal Code chiefly in respect to such matters as parading while nude in a public place; the manufacture, import, sale or distribution of bacteria, potentially dangerous to man, for the purpose of destroying rats, other rodents or vermin; publication of false advertisements to promote sales of real or personal property; counterfeiting of government marks, liquor seals etc.; and forging of trade marks.

Section 32 of the Interpretation Act (c. 1, R.S.C., 1927) was repealed by c. 36 of the Statutes as regards the Court of Appeal for Ontario.

C. 37 amended the Judges Act and provided that any judge of a Superior Court or of any province of Canada appointed Chief Commissioner or Assistant Chief Commissioner of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada since January 1931 may, on ceasing to hold office, be granted an annuity equal to that which he would have received if he had continued in office as a judge and had vacated on the same date.

The Prisons and Reformatories Act (c. 163, R.S.C., 1927) was amended by c. 46 to allow Roman Catholic females to be sentenced to reformatory instead of prison or gaol in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick on summary examination and inquiry by a Supreme Court judge of either province and substitution of sentence under the provisions of this Act. In the case of New Brunswick, provision is also made to allow the Courts to sentence women and girls convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for a term of less than two years to a local reformatory instead of the common gaol or other prison.

Labour.—The Government Employees Compensation Act (c. 30, R.S.C., 1927) was amended by c. 9 to bring the compensation paid, on account of personal injury or accident, to a Government employee in the course of his employment, into line with that paid under the law of the province where such accident occurs. A special provision was included to cover employees on the Government railways.

An amendment to the Government Annuities Act (c. 7, R.S.C., 1927) was made by c. 33 limiting the granting of annuities in future to the actual annuitant and the amount to over \$10 and under \$1,200 a year.

C. 42 amended the Old Age Pensions Act (c. 156, R.S.C., 1927), increasing the payments made by the Dominion to the provinces to 75 p.c. of the net sum paid out to persons entitled to such pension. Provision was also made for the examination and audit of the provincial old age pension accounts by the Dominion Government.

The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931, c. 58 of the Statutes, gave power to the Governor in Council, in his discretion, to expend such monies as may be deemed expedient for relieving distress and providing employment. The powers of the Governor in Council under this Act were outlined.

C. 59, an Act for the Promotion of Vocational Education in Canada, appropriated \$750,000 per annum for a period of fifteen years from which sum payments could be made to the Governments of the provinces for this purpose, such payments