



CHAPTER 4

An Act respecting the admission, custody and maintenance of the insane in St. Jean de Dieu Hospital

[Assented to, the 20th of April, 1934]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly
of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may authorize ^{Contract} the Provincial Secretary to enter into a contract with ^{authorized.} *La Communauté des Sœurs de Charité de la Providence*, for the admission, care, custody and maintenance of the insane in St. Jean de Dieu Hospital.

2. Such contract must provide that:

a. La Communauté des Sœurs de Charité de la Providence shall receive, lodge and maintain, in the St. Jean de Dieu Hospital, all the patients who shall be confided to them by the Government, supply them with good and sufficient food, improve, according to the resources of the establishment, the laboratory and other services, according to modern methods, in such a manner as to promote the cure of the patients therein and the development of the science of mental diseases;

b. The respective obligations of the parties to such contract, respecting the matters and things contemplated by the above paragraph *a*, shall be in substance similar to those stipulated in the contract entered into between the same parties and for the same objects on the 21st of December, 1925, and ratified by the act 16 George V, chapter 8, except as to the derogations hereinafter provided;

c. The number of patients confided to the said hospital shall not be less than four thousand;

d. The sum payable per annum for each patient kept in the said hospital, for the time only of such patient's confinement, shall be two hundred and sixteen dollars;

e. The annual sum of two hundred and sixteen dollars above contemplated shall be reduced to two hundred dollars for each patient over four thousand five hundred patients;

f. The said contract shall remain in force for a period of twenty-six years.

Additional provisions.

The Provincial Secretary may add in such contract any other conditions, not contrary to those above prescribed, which he may deem useful or necessary for the carrying out of this act, provided that such conditions be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Conditional performance of governmental obligations.

3. The performance of the obligations which the government will undertake under such contract shall be subject to the condition that *La Communauté des Sœurs de Charité de la Providence* shall begin within sixty days from the signing of the contract, and shall complete within a reasonable delay, the necessary work to enlarge the present St. Jean de Dieu Hospital or to erect an additional building so as to be able to receive, hospitalize and treat at least the number of patients contemplated in paragraph *c* of section 2.

Amount withheld.

4. If, in order to carry out the work of enlarging the present hospital or of erecting an additional building, the said community has to negotiate a loan, the Provincial Treasurer shall retain, from each sum of two hundred and sixteen dollars which may be due under the said contract, a sufficient sum to meet the sinking-fund and interest of a sum not exceeding one million one hundred thousand dollars on the said loan.

Idem.

5. The amount withheld by the Provincial Treasurer under the preceding section shall be paid by him, half-yearly, to the lenders who made the above-mentioned loan or to the trustee for the benefit of the bondholders under such loan.

Use thereof in certain case.

However, in case the Lieutenant-Governor in Council should assume, with respect to this loan of the said community, the undertaking provided for by section 18 of the Quebec Public Charities Act (Revised Statutes, 1925, chapter 189), this amount withheld shall be used to reimburse the public charities' fund for any sum taken from this fund for the carrying out of the said undertaking.

6. The sums which may be due by the Government ^{Payment of} under the above contemplated contract, shall be paid out ^{sums due} of the sums voted each year by the Legislature for the ^{under con-} insane asylums. ^{tract.}

7. From and after the date which the Lieutenant-Gov- ^{Effective} ernor in Council may determine, the contract to be made ^{date of new} under this act shall replace that made between the same ^{contract.} parties on the 21st of December, 1925, and which was ratified by the act 16 George V, chapter 8.

8. This act shall come into force on the day of its ^{Coming into} sanction. ^{force.}

