

C H A P. 42

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, respecting the distribution of prizes in the schools

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

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

1. Article 2931 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, as amended by the acts 3 George V, chapter 23, section 2; 3 George V, chapter 25, section 2; 7 George V, chapter 27, section 8; 9 George V, chapter 35, section 3, and 15 George V, chapter 40, section 12, is again amended by striking out, in the fourth, fifth and sixth lines of paragraph 4a thereof, the following words: "This paragraph shall not apply until approved of by the committee of the Council of Public Instruction having jurisdiction."

2. This act shall come into force on the first day of January, 1926. Coming into force.

C H A P. 43

An Act respecting the Montreal Catholic School Commission

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

WHEREAS the Montreal Catholic School Commission has, by its petition, represented:

That it is necessary and urgent for it to acquire new sites for schools, to erect and acquire new schools, to enlarge, improve and repair existing schools, to perform the work of establishing playgrounds for the pupils, and that for such purposes it is necessary to contract a loan;

That the present revenues of the Commission are insufficient to provide for the payment of the interest, the creation of a sinking-fund for the loan asked for, and for the cost of administration of the new schools which the said Commission proposes to erect;

That the said Commission deems that it is expedient and in the interest of its teaching staff and permanent employees to create a system of group insurance;

That it is expedient to validate the school assessment

rolls made by the Catholic school municipalities, which have been annexed during the last ten years;

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer contained in the said petition;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

54 Vict., c.
53, s. 1, am.

1. Section 1 of the act 54 Victoria, chapter 53, as amended by the acts 63 Victoria, chapter 99, section 1; 5 Edward VII, chapter 90, section 1; 6 Edward VII, chapter 84, section 1; 9 Edward VII, chapter 39, section 1; 1 George V (1st session), chapter 22, section 1; 2 George V, chapter 27, section 1; 3 George V, chapter 30, section 1; 6 George V, chapter 63, section 1; 8 George V, chapter 37, sections 1 and 2; 10 George V, chapter 39, section 3; 11 George V, chapter 49, section 1; 12 George V, chapter 48, section 1, and 14 George V, chapter 35, section 1, is again amended by adding thereto, after subsection *z* thereof, the following subsection:

Montreal
Catholic
School
Commission
authorized
to make ad-
ditional is-
sue of bonds.

“*aa.* The Montreal Catholic School Commission is authorized to issue, in addition to the loans already authorized, bonds or debentures for an additional amount not exceeding one million five hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of acquiring new schools and school sites, and of building new schools and residences for its staff of religious teachers, of enlarging, improving and repairing the schools already existing, and of performing the work of establishing playgrounds for the pupils.

Formalities.

Such bonds or debentures shall be issued in accordance with the act 54 Victoria, chapter 53, section 3, or any other act and the amendments thereto, governing loans by the said Commission.”

Group life
insurance
authorized.

2. The Central Board of the Montreal Catholic School Commission is authorized to establish in favour of the male teachers and permanent male employees a group life insurance or any other method of insurance deemed expedient by such Board and by the majority of the teachers and employees. The Board may contribute up to three-tenths of the amount of the annual premium, the balance of such premium being paid by the persons insured. Participation in such group insurance shall be obligatory upon the male lay teachers now in the employ of the Commission who have agreed to join it, and upon every male lay teacher entering the employ of the Commission after the sanctioning of this act. The Central Board may

Regulations.

adopt all regulations it deems expedient for organizing and administering such group assurance or any method of

insurance approved by such Board and by the majority of the teachers and employees.

3. Section 3 of the act 5 George V, chapter 38, as re-5 Geo. V, c. placed by the act 11 George V, chapter 49, section 8, is 38, s. 3, am. amended by adding thereto the following paragraphs:

"Nevertheless, every male or female teacher who has ^{Pensions.} contributed to the endowment fund for a period of five to twenty years and who retires: (a) on account of ill health after ten years of teaching; (b) after twenty years of teaching; (c) at fifty-six years of age, shall be a pensioner of the Commission and be entitled to a life rent payable on the 30th of June of each year, such rent to be the simple interest at five per cent on his or her capitalized share. In the case of a male lay teacher the said rent may be applied wholly or in part towards the payment of the premium of group life insurance or of any other method of insurance; if the interest is insufficient, the capital itself may be used for such purpose.

"Every male or female teacher who is not a participant ^{Idem.} in the endowment fund, upon retiring: (a) on account of ill health after at least ten years of teaching; (b) after twenty years of teaching; (c) at fifty-six years of age, shall be a pensioner of the Commission. The bonus granted by the regulations of the Central Board of the Commission may be applied towards the payment of the premium of the group life insurance or of any other method of insurance."

4. Section 6 of the act 14 George V, chapter 35, is amend-14 Geo. V, ed: c. 35, s. 6, am.

a. By adding thereto, at the end of the first paragraph, the following words: "as replaced by section 2 of the act 15 George V, chapter 115, the provisions of which shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.";

b. By striking out the second paragraph thereof.

5. The valuation rolls made by order of the municipal ^{Valuation} authorities or of the school authorities and which have ^{rolls de-} served as the basis of the collection rolls and the school tax ^{clared valid.} collection rolls prepared by the school corporations which have been annexed in the past ten years to the Montreal Catholic School Commission, are declared valid and to have been in force from the time they were made, notwithstanding any informality. No action shall lie, on account ^{No suit for} of any informality or irregularity in said rolls, to recover ^{informality.} sums of money paid according to such valuation and collection rolls.

Any suit brought and any judgment obtained by the ^{Suit of Com-} Montreal Catholic School Commission or by one of the said ^{mission not} ^{contestable.}

Reserva-
tion.

commissions so annexed, in connection with the school taxes assessed under the above mentioned rolls, may not be contested on account of informalities or irregularities in said rolls. This section shall not affect the rights of the ratepayers to contest said rolls for excessiveness or other questions touching the merits and not the procedure or formalities only.

Certain
loans and
provisions
applicable
thereto.

6. Loans contracted by the Montreal Catholic School Commission under the authority of the acts 10 George V, chapter 39; 11 George V, chapter 49; 12 George V, chapter 48, and 14 George V, chapter 35, form part of the school obligations of the city of Montreal, and the provisions of the act 54 Victoria, chapter 53, section 3, have been duly applied thereto.

Coming into
force.

7. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

C H A P. 44

An Act to amend the act respecting the Catholic schools of Montreal

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Catholic commissioners of the Commission on Education specially entrusted with the study of the extension of the powers of the Montreal Catholic School Commission have made certain suggestions in the report sent by them to the Government on the 27th of December, 1924;

Whereas it is expedient to carry out the suggestions and recommendations made by the said commissioners and to otherwise amend the law respecting the Montreal Catholic School Commission;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

7 Geo. V, c.
28, s. 5, re-
placed.

1. Section 5 of the act 7 George V, chapter 28, as amended by the act 11 George V, chapter 49, section 5, is replaced by the following:

Central
board.

“5. The central board shall consist of seven members, two priests and five laymen, chosen from among the Roman Catholics.

Appoint-

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council and the Archbishop