

the parish of value as established by the valuation roll in force in the
 St. Joseph of municipalities at the time of the coming into force of this
 d'Alma. act, saving however the debts contracted for making or im-
 Exception. proving waterworks systems and roads of the said muni-
 cipalities situated outside of the detached territory, and the
 Provisions settlement of the said debt between the parties shall be
 applicable to settle- effected according to the provisions of articles 50 and fol-
 ment. lowing of the Municipal Code of Quebec.

Entitled to The said town shall, nevertheless, be entitled to free
 free itself itself forever from said debt, upon paying to the corpora-
 from share tion of the township of Delisle and of the parish of St.
 of debt. Joseph d'Alma the capital of its portion and all arrears of
 interest then due.

First meet- **15.** The council shall hold its first meeting at the place
 ing of coun- fixed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, in accordance
 cil. with section 22 of the Cities and Towns' Act, 1922.

Coming into **16.** This act shall come into force on the day of its
 force. sanction.

C H A P . 9 8

An Act to amend the charter of the corporation of the
 Village of Malbaie

[Assented to, the 15th of March, 1924]

Preamble. **W**HEREAS the corporation of the village of Malbaie
 has, by its petition, represented:

That by the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 50, it has ob-
 tained certain special powers;

That it desires to be governed in the future by the provi-
 sions of the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant its application;

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

5 Ed. VII, **1.** The act 5 Edward VII, chapter 50, is repealed.
 c. 50, re-
 pealed.

Corporation **2.** The inhabitants of the territory lying within the
 continued. boundaries of the village of Malbaie shall continue to form
 Name. a village corporation under the name of "The Corporation
 of the Village of La Malbaie".

Provisions **3.** From and after the date of the coming into force of
 applicable. this act, The Corporation of the Village of La Malbaie shall

be governed and controlled by the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec, and the amendments thereto.

4. The resolutions, *procès-verbaux* and contracts of the corporation of the village of Malbaie, in force at the date of the coming into force of this act, shall remain in force until amended or repealed. Resolutions, etc., remain in force.

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

C H A P . 99

An Act respecting *constituts* and the system of tenure in the city of Hull

[Assented to, the 15th of March, 1924]

WHEREAS by the act 13 George V, chapter 94, section 10, it was enacted that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council might authorize the Quebec Public Service Commission to inquire into the titles and contracts by which certain lots and sites were held in the city of Hull; Preamble.

Whereas said Commission, in accordance with the said act, has held an inquiry and has heard a great number of persons who have made representations to it;

Whereas the said inquiry has revealed the fact that a large portion of the city of Hull is held under a system of lease called *constituts*, by which the proprietors retain the ownership of the lands or lots, but lease them to persons who have erected and built houses and buildings thereon at their own expense;

Whereas it has been represented that these leases, when they expired, have, in many instances, been renewed at a considerably increased rental;

Whereas in consequence, the lessees who are proprietors of the houses and buildings, having no title to such immoveables, may be called upon at any time to leave and so lose the fruit of their outlay and improvements;

Whereas such a state of affairs is a great hindrance to the development of the city of Hull, stops building and prevents the improvements the lessees would like to make to the immoveable;

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

1. The lots or lands held under contract of lease, aliena- Right to ac-