

right of ownership, possession or occupation of any immoveable property within the said city, or as to the name, quality, or domicile of any person liable for any assessment or tax whatsoever, which then or thereafter may exist, in any assessment book.

Such demand cannot be granted by the said board without a notice served upon the interested party, with a delay of eight days before the presentation to the board of assessors.

27. Every assessment book or roll, purporting to be an assessment book or roll of the said city or of any ward of the same, for any specified year, when produced before a court of justice shall, until proof to the contrary, be presumed to be an assessment book or roll of the said city or of such ward for the said year.

Books, etc.,
to be *prima facie* proof.

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

Coming
into force.

CHAP. 90

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westmount

[Assented to, 14th of February, 1920]

WHEREAS the Merchants Bank of Canada, a banking corporation, having its head office in the city and district of Montreal, has by its petition represented that it desires to establish banking premises on Sherbrooke street in the city of Westmount, and that the municipal council of said city would be willing to permit the establishment of banking premises thereon if they were not forbidden to do so by the wording of section 15 of the act 2 George V, chapter 60, amending the charter, and that it desires that the charter of said city be amended as hereinafter set forth, and that the said council approves of said application; and

Preamble.

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of said petition;

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

1. Section 15 of the act 2 George V, chapter 60, is replaced by the following:

2 Geo. V, c.
60, s. 15,
replaced.
Sherbrooke
St.

"15. Notwithstanding any by-law to the contrary,

Sherbrooke street may, by resolution of an absolute majority of the whole council, be commercialized, except however that part of the street situated between the eastern side of Metcalfe and the western side of Lansdowne avenues, both sides inclusive, within which territory no industrial establishment, shop, store, business house or trade, other than a bank or banking premises, shall be established."

Coming
into force.

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

CHAP. 91

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Saint Johns

[Assented to, 14th of February, 1920]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of the city of Saint Johns has, by its petition, represented that it is in the interest of its ratepayers to amend its charter, the act 53 Victoria, chapter 71, already amended by the acts 8 Edward VII, chapter 90, and 7 George V, chapter 71, in order to confer upon and confirm for the said corporation the rights of ownership and possession and certain more extensive powers that it does not possess concerning, amongst other things, public service companies, business taxes, interest on municipal loans and the approval thereof, the supply of water and municipal elections; and whereas it is expedient to grant its prayer;

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

53 Viet., c.
71, s. 26,
enacted.

1. The act 53 Victoria, chapter 71, is amended by adding the following after section 25 thereof, as replaced by the act 7 George V, chapter 71, section 3:

City to own
streets, etc.

"26. The city is the owner of its streets, sidewalks, and drains."

Provisions
replaced.

2. Title VII of the act 53 Victoria, chapter 71, and articles 254 to 271 inclusive, are repealed and replaced by articles 5545 to 5552 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, and, in the said articles, the word "chapter", wherever it occurs, is replaced by the word: "title".

Id., art 477,
am.

3. Article 477 of the act 53 Victoria, chapter 71, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph: