

C H A P. 89

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Quebec

[Assented to, 17th of March, 1919]

WHEREAS the city of Quebec has, by its petition, ^{Preamble.} represented that it is in the interest of the ratepayers and of the proper administration of its affairs that the acts incorporating it be amended as hereinafter set forth, and that additional powers be granted to it;

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

1. The city of Quebec is hereby authorized to borrow ^{Loan} an amount not exceeding two hundred and seventy-nine ^{authorized.} thousand seven hundred and two dollars and sixty-three cents, to pay the cost of the following, namely:

(a) Forty-nine thousand seven hundred and two dollars and sixty-three cents, to pay the amounts subscribed for war purposes and damages caused by the riots;

(b) Ten thousand dollars to meet the expenses occasioned by the influenza epidemic;

(c) Twenty thousand dollars for permanent works for the waterworks department;

(d) Two hundred thousand dollars for the permanent works in the roads department, seventy thousand dollars whereof for the Beauport road, fifty-five thousand dollars for the Charlesbourg road, six thousand dollars for widening St. Valier street, and the balance for permanent works in the city streets.

2. For effecting such loan, the city may declare, by ^{How loan to} resolution, that such loan shall be repayable within a ^{be effected.} short term of not less than two nor more than fifteen years, and at such rate of interest as the council may determine, with a sinking-fund of at least two per cent per annum.

3. In addition to the method of borrowing mentioned ^{Bonds or} in section 2, the city is authorized, for the purpose of ^{inscribed} effecting such loan, to issue bonds or certificates of inscribed stock, as it may deem necessary, for the objects above mentioned; such bonds or stock certificates shall be for such amounts as the city may deem advisable, and shall be repayable within a period of not more than thirty years

from their date, with interest at such rate as the council may fix, not including the cost of the loan and discount.

Provision
for payment.

4. The city shall provide for the payment of the bonds or inscribed stock certificates, the issue whereof is authorized by section 3, either by paying on the capital of the said bonds or inscribed stock certificates, half-yearly or every year, at its option, a sufficient amount so that the capital will be paid up at the maturity of each bond or certificate, or by establishing a sinking-fund, in such manner as it may deem advisable, sufficient to pay the capital at maturity; such sinking-fund shall not be used for any other purpose than the payment of such bonds or inscribed stock.

Expenditure
ratified.

5. The expenditure of eight thousand eight hundred and thirty-four dollars and sixty-seven cents, being a portion of the amount spent in connection with the influenza epidemic, which sum is the unused balance of the loan authorized for aiding the sufferers of the Halifax disaster, is hereby ratified.

Provision
for payment
of certain
short term
loans.

6. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, when the city is called upon to repay the short term loans authorized by the acts 5 George V, chapter 88, section 1; 6 George V, chapter 43, section 1; 7 George V, chapter 59, section 1, and 8 George V, chapter 83, section 1, it may, by resolution of the council, repay such loans by other loans to the amount of the balance due on each of them, deducting the amount of the accumulated sinking-fund repayable within a short term, of not less than two years nor more than ten years, at such rate of interest as the council may fix, with a sinking-fund of not less than two per cent.

29 Vic., c.
57, s. 29, am.

7. Section 29 of the act 29 Victoria, chapter 57, as amended by the acts 5 George V, chapter 88, section 5, and 6 George V, chapter 43, section 5, is further amended:

a. By inserting therein, after paragraph 11 thereof, the following paragraph:

Unsanitary
houses to be
placarded.

"11a. To conspicuously placard in the manner prescribed by the council every house found to be unsanitary and dangerous by the municipal board of health:";

b. By adding the following paragraph after paragraph 37:

Valves on
drains.

"37a. To compel the owner of any building hereafter erected to place upon his private drain, at such place as the city may indicate, an automatic valve approved by it,

and also compel the said owner to connect his spouts from the roof of such building with the private drain, and to make such connection between the valve and the street sewer;"

c. By adding the following paragraph after paragraph 65:

"65a. To compel the owners of automobiles and auto-Taximeters. taxis to provide their vehicles with taximeters of a pattern approved by the city, and to impose a penalty upon any automobile or taxi chauffeur without a taximeter;"

8. When a child is interned in an industrial school at the expense of the city of Quebec, and such child has not had his domicile in the said city for at least six months, the city may have all the costs incurred in connection with the child, as well as his transportation to the industrial school, paid by the city, town or county municipality within which the child previously had his domicile. Cost of children in industrial schools.

The city, town or county municipality, which pays to the city of Quebec any sum of money under this section, may recover the same from the person bound to support the child. Recourse of municipalities.

9. The municipal taxes imposed upon any lot of land may be claimed as well from the tenant, occupant or other person possessing such lot as from the owner, and from any person subsequently acquiring such lot, even when the tenant, occupant, possessor or acquirer is not entered on the valuation roll. Taxes may be claimed from tenant, &c.

10. The city is authorized to impose and levy upon any tenant of an immoveable or part of an immoveable occupied as a residence, an annual tax not exceeding three per cent of the rental value of such immoveable or part of immoveable as entered on the valuation roll then in force. Nevertheless, the owner of any immoveable or part of immoveable shall not be responsible for the tax imposed upon the tenant. Taxes on tenants.

Nothing in this act shall affect the by-laws nor the terms of any annexation with adjoining municipalities, as regards the rate of the tax to be paid in the annexed territories.

11. Notwithstanding any act to the contrary passed at this session, the city of Quebec is authorized to purchase the cattle market of the Quebec Abbatoir Company for an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars; however, if the city of Quebec avails itself of this authorization, it shall do so only between the first of March, Authorization to purchase abattoir.

1920, and the first of January, 1922; and one essential condition of such purchase shall be that the said company shall have spent, over and above the cost of the land already purchased, of the buildings already erected and all other expenses already incurred, at least the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the construction of abbatoirs and cold storage warehouses on its lands adjacent to the market.

If the city of Quebec exercises the powers it is given by this section, it may borrow an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars upon the conditions set forth in sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

Coming into force. **12.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

CHAP. 90

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Montreal

[Assented to, 17th of March, 1919]

Preamble.

WHEREAS H. W. Renaud, advocate, of the city of Montreal, and others, have, by their petition, represented that they are owners of immoveable property situate in the former city of Maisonneuve, which was annexed to the city of Montreal by the act 8 George V, chapter 84; that under the said act, the city of Montreal is bound to impose, upon the taxable property within the territory of the former city of Maisonneuve, a general tax of two and one-half per cent on the value of the said taxable property; that such act, as drafted, does not clearly express the intention of the Legislature, and that it should be amended, so as to put an end to such ambiguity;

And whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer;

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

62 Vic., c.
58, s. 5, am.

1. Article 5 of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 58, as amended by the acts 7 Edward VII, chapter 63, section 1; 8 Edward VII, chapter 85, section 1; 9 Edward VII, chapter 81, section 1; 1 George V (first session), chapter 48, sections 1 and 3; 1 George V (second session), chapter 60, section 2; 2 George V, chapter 56, section 1; 3 George V, chapter 54, section 1; 4 George V, chapter 73, section 2; 7 George V, chapter 60, section 1, and 8 George V, chapter 84, section 1, is again amended by inserting therein, after