

required by any act in connection with which the Provincial Treasurer is authorized to make advances from the consolidated revenue fund or from any unappropriated public moneys.

Proceeds of permanent loans for payment of such loan. **3.** The proceeds of any permanent loans which may hereafter be made under the authority of the before-mentioned acts or of any act authorizing the Provincial Treasurer to make advances from the consolidated revenue fund, or from any unappropriated public moneys, shall be applied first to the redemption of the special loans authorized by this act.

Coming into force. **4.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

CHAP. 3

An Act to amend the Good Roads' Act, 1912.

[Assented to 5th March, 1915]

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

3 Geo. V, c. 21, s. 6, am. **1.** Section 6 of the act 3 George V, chapter 21, is amended by replacing the word "ten" in the sixth line thereof, by the word "fifteen".

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

CHAP. 4

An Act to grant certain powers to the Quebec Streams Commission, relating to the storing of the waters of the St. Francis river and its tributary lakes and rivers.

[Assented to 5th March, 1915]

Preamble. **W**HEREAS the Quebec Streams Commission, in its third report, recommends the construction of works required for the storing of the waters of the St. Francis river and its tributary lakes and rivers, in order to better regulate the flow thereof; and
Whereas it is in the public interest to immediately carry

out the suggestions of the said commission and to grant the commission the powers necessary for that purpose;

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

1. The Quebec Streams Commission, after having deposited in the Department of Lands and Forests all the plans and specifications necessary to precisely indicate the work which it may undertake under the authority of this act, and the probable cost thereof, may be authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to do the work necessary for the erection of storage dams or other works in the St. Francis river and its tributary lakes and rivers, for the purpose of storing the waters thereof and of regulating their flow, both from the point of view of the lessening of floods, and for the better utilisation of the water-power to be obtained from the said river and from the said tributary lakes and rivers.

2. The commission shall give out the works authorized by this act, by means of tenders and contracts, after public advertisements and notice that the plans and specifications have been deposited in the office of the commission for examination.

The giving out of the work shall be evidenced by a contract given to the contractor making the lowest tender, and who also, in the opinion of the commission, has sufficient ability, experience and means to do the work properly. Nevertheless, no contract shall be entered into by the commission except with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

3. The commission, with the authorization of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may acquire the dams already existing on the St. Francis river, or on its tributary lakes and rivers, and all lands necessary for the execution of its work or which may be flooded or subject to flooding by reason of such execution. Such acquisition shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the law of the Province of Quebec respecting railways, and, in default of an understanding with the proprietors or their representatives, the commission may expropriate the necessary dams or land in accordance with the provisions of the said law, *mutatis mutandis*; but the judge of the district where the dam or land to be expropriated is situated may always grant immediate possession on such conditions as he may think proper.

Documents
to be submit-
ted to Minis-
ter.

4. So soon as the plans and specifications mentioned in section 1 are deposited, it shall be the duty of the commission, after hearing the parties interested, to submit to the Minister of Lands and Forests:

a. All forms of contracts to be entered into between the commission and any person, company or association, who may benefit by the works for the storing and regulating of the waters of the river St. Francis and its tributary lakes and rivers;

b. A general tariff fixing the rates, prices and conditions which may be demanded from or imposed upon any person, company or association, as regards any matter not governed by the contract mentioned in paragraph *a*, for the use of the waters of the river St. Francis and its tributary lakes and rivers.

Approval by
Lt.-Gov. in
Council.

No contract passed in virtue of paragraph *a* shall have any force or effect until approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Coming into
force of tariff.

The tariff fixed in virtue of paragraph *b*, after having been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall not come into force until published in the *Quebec Official Gazette*.

Government
loans.

5. To ensure the construction of the works mentioned in this act, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may authorize the Provincial Treasurer to contract, from time to time, such loan or loans as he thinks necessary, but the loan or loans so contracted shall not exceed the sum of four hundred thousand dollars. The said loan or loans may be effected by means of debentures or inscribed stock issued for a term of not more than fifty years at a rate of interest of not more than five per cent per annum. The said debentures or inscribed stock shall be in the form and to the amount that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may determine, and shall be payable, in principal and interest, annually or semi-annually, at the place mentioned by him.

The debentures or inscribed stock issued under this act shall not be subject to the duties imposed by the Quebec Succession Duties Acts.

Provisions
applicable.

6. Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the act 3 George V, chapter 6, shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the present act, as if they had been specially enacted therefor.

Coming into
force.

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