

CHAP. 2

An Act to provide for the construction of a bridge between the towns of St. Johns and Iberville on the Richelieu river.

[Assented to 19th February, 1914]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is in the public interest to construct a metallic bridge, free to traffic, to connect the two banks of the Richelieu river between the towns of St. Johns and Iberville;

Whereas the said towns have agreed to contribute the amounts hereinafter mentioned, to wit : the town of St. Johns \$16,666.67, and the town of Iberville, \$8,333.33 ;

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

Construction of bridge authorized.

1. The Government of the Province may construct a metallic bridge free to traffic, on the Richelieu river, with all the necessary approaches, abutments and works, between the town of St. Johns and the town of Iberville, and acquire, by expropriation if necessary, all land required for that purpose. The work of construction shall be under the control of the Minister of Public Works and Labour.

Expropriations to be subject to Railway Act.

Any expropriation required for the purpose of this act shall be subject to the provisions of the Quebec Railway Act, *mutatis mutandis*.

Cost to be divided.

2. The cost of construction of the said bridge and its approaches, abutments and works shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars, of which \$16,666.67 shall be payable by the town of St. Johns, and \$8,333.33 shall be payable by the town of Iberville, and the Government of the Province is authorized to pay, out of the consolidated revenue fund, one half the balance, to wit, a sum not exceeding \$87,500.00, provided that the Government of Canada declares that it is ready to pay, and votes a sum equal to that contributed by the Province.

Towns of Iberville and St. Johns authorized to contribute.

3. The town of St. Johns is authorized to, and shall contribute to the amount of \$16,666.67, and the said town of Iberville is authorized to and shall contribute to the amount of \$8,333.33 towards the construction of the said bridge, and said contributions shall be paid to the Government of the Province as soon as the said bridge shall be completed.

4. In order to provide for the payment of their respective contributions, the councils of the towns of St. Johns and Iberville are vested with all necessary powers to pass loan by-laws to raise money by the issue of bonds or debentures or otherwise, without any formality other than the approval of said by-laws by the majority of the members present forming a quorum of each of the said councils respectively. May make loans for the same.

The borrowing power granted by this section shall be interpreted as authorizing a loan or loans in excess of the limits fixed in the respective charters of the said towns. In addition to regular borrowing power.

5. The bridge when completed, with its approaches and all its accessories, shall belong jointly to the two towns of St. Johns and Iberville, which shall provide for the maintenance thereof; and the rights and obligations, including such maintenance, shall be divided between the two towns in the following proportion: two-thirds to the town of St. Johns and one-third to the town of Iberville. Ownership of bridge.

6. The bridge shall be free and exempt from all tolls. Bridge to be free.

7. The towns of St. Johns and Iberville are authorized to adopt, by resolutions of their councils, assembled in a joint meeting, all necessary by-laws to govern the maintenance and the free use of the said bridge, and to impose fines on those who infringe such by-laws. By-laws to govern maintenance and use of bridge.

Such by-laws shall be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and shall not come into force until eight days after their publication in the *Quebec Official Gazette*, and in two local papers of the district one of which is published in French, and the other in English. Subject to approval of Lt.-Governor in Council.

8. Every question in dispute between the towns of St. Johns and Iberville, relating to the maintenance, repairs to or regulation of the said bridge shall be decided, failing an agreement between them, by the engineer of the Department of Public Works and Labour of the Province, whose decision shall be final. Disputed questions to be decided by engineer of Public Works Dept.

9. The said towns shall be bound to maintain the said bridge according to the instructions they may receive from the Department of Public Works and Labour. Bridge to be maintained as instructed by said Dept.

10. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council is authorized to make all contracts, bargains and agreements with the Federal Government and the municipalities and persons interested, in order to give effect to this act. Contracts with Federal Government authorized.

Date of opening of bridge.

11. The said bridge shall be open to the public from the date of the publication in the *Quebec Official Gazette* and in two local newspapers of the district, one published in French and the other in English, of a notice to the effect that such bridge has been completed to the satisfaction of the Department of Public Works and Labour.

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 3

An Act to amend the act granting a subsidy to aid in the establishment and maintenance of forestry education in the Province of Quebec.

[Assented to 19th February, 1914]

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

1 Geo. V, (1910), chap. 2, Sec. 1, amended.

1. Section 1, of the act 1 George V, (1st Session), chapter 2, is amended by replacing the words: "five thousand" in the 5th line thereof, by the words: "eight thousand".

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 4

An Act to amend the act to establish the Metropolitan Parks Commission.

[Assented to 19th February, 1914]

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

2 Geo. V, chap. 8, s. 11, replaced.

1. Section 11 of the act 2 George V, chapter 8, is replaced by the following:

Corporation.

11. The Commission, after its first members have been appointed, shall be a corporation, and shall have the power