

effect shall be valid, nor can it be put into execution, until it has been approved by the vote of shareholders representing at least two-thirds in value of the capital, at a general or special meeting duly called for that purpose."

**2.** Article 6485 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by replacing paragraph 1 thereof, by the following:

**"6485.** 1. The majority of the directors shall form a quorum for any meeting, and at such meeting the directors may use and exercise all and any of the powers vested in them."

## CHAP. 53

An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, 1909, relating to railways.

[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.** The following articles are inserted in the Revised Statutes, 1909, after article 6612:

**"6612a.** 1. Any company, or any officer or agent thereof, or any person acting for or employed by such company, who by means of false billing, false classification, false report of weight, or by any other device or means, knowingly, wilfully or willingly suffers or permits any person or persons to obtain transportation for goods at less than the regular tolls then authorized and in force on the railway of the company, shall for each offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars.

**2.** No prosecution shall be had or instituted for any such penalty without the leave of the Quebec Public Utilities Commission first being obtained.

**"6612b.** 1. Any person, or any officer or agent of any company, who shall deliver goods for transportation to such company, or for whom as consignor or consignee the company shall transport goods, who knowingly or wilfully by false billing, false classifications, false weighing, false representations of the contents of the package, or false report of weight, or by any other device or means, whether with or without the consent or connivance of the company, its agent or agents, obtains trans-

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- Penalty. portation for such goods at less than the regular tolls then authorized and in force on the railway, shall for each offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars.
- Further toll may be exacted by Public Utilities commission. 2. The Quebec Public Utilities Commission may make regulations providing that any such person or company shall, in addition to the regular toll, be liable to pay to the railway company a further toll not exceeding fifty per cent of the regular charge.
- Company may and in certain cases must open boxes, etc. 3. The company may, and when ordered by the Quebec Public Utilities Commission shall open and examine any package, box, case or shipment for the purpose of ascertaining whether this section has been violated.
- Leave of Pub. Utilities commission for prosecution. 4. No prosecution shall be had or instituted for any such penalty without the leave of the Quebec Public Utilities Commission first being obtained."

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#### C H A P. 54

#### An Act to amend the Quebec Insurance Act.

[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:

- 6870 R.S. am. 1. Article 6870 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:
- License & registration. "A mutual insurance company so established by the consent of a rural municipality shall, like other companies, be subject to the formalities of a license and of registration."
- R.S. 6875 replaced. 2. Article 6875 of the said statutes is replaced by the following:
- Buildings when insured. "6875. From the time the word "insured" is entered as aforesaid, the building shall be insured under the provisions of this subsection, until the council or the proprietor discontinues the insurance as provided by the by-laws of the company in force at the time such insurance was effected."
- R.S. 6894 am. 3. Article 6894 of the said statutes is amended by inserting after the word "sub-section" in the first line thereof, the