

12. The council may lease or acquire any buildings and any lands required for its use or in the interest of the town, and if it be more advantageous for the town to acquire a piece of land greater than that finally required by the council, to acquire such greater extent and resell the excess thereof, on condition that the proceeds of such revenue shall be applied to the payment of original purchases, and if a special tax is levied for such purpose it shall be reduced by so much.

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

Coming into
force.

CHAP. 70

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Laval des Rapides.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

WHEREAS the town of Laval des Rapides has represented that it has only been incorporated a short time as a town; that it has incurred considerable expenses for its incorporation, and further expense for this act; that its valuation roll has only lately been made; that its collection roll for the annual taxes has not yet been made; that in order to macadamize its roads with the proceeds of the Provincial Government grant, it requires to borrow money for the necessary machines; that it has not been able to collect any revenue, since its incorporation, to meet such debt, to supply its money requirements, and to provide for the cost of the annual administration; and that it is in the interest of the proper administration of its affairs that its charter, the act 2 George V, chapter 75, be amended; and whereas it is expedient to grant its prayer;

Preamble.

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

1. Section 25 of the act 2 George V, chapter 75, is replaced, by the following:

2 Geo. V, c.
75, s. 25,
replaced.

"25. Article 5731 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced, for the town, by the following:

R. S. 5731
replaced for
town.

"5731. No land under cultivation of an area of five acres or more belonging to a farmer, a gardener or market gardener who *bona fide* uses such land for farming or gardening and who lives by his produce, or belonging to a proprietor who leases it for the same purposes, shall be valued at more than one hundred dollars per acre, nor be taxed for an amount exceeding three fourths of one per cent. Such valuation shall include the

Valuation of
farm lands,
&c.

house, barns, stables and other buildings required for the cultivation of such farm. No land serving as pasture for live stock, and no uncleared land or woodland not subdivided into building lots, having an area of at least five acres, shall be valued at more than one hundred dollars per acre, nor be taxed for an amount exceeding three fourths of one per cent.

**Tax
exemptions.**

The following shall be exempt from taxation: horses, cattle and other live stock and poultry belonging to the farm, carriages, summer and winter vehicles of all kinds, agricultural implements and all moveables forming part of a farmer's usual farming plant.

**Amendment
of valuation
roll.**

The council may cause to be added at any time to the valuation roll by the assessors in office on an estimate made by them, any portion of such land detached therefrom as building lots and which has so become liable to taxation after the closing of the valuation roll, and exact the tax as on all other lands entered on the said roll.

Wards.

2. The town of Laval des Rapides is divided into three wards, namely: East, Centre and West.

East.

The East ward shall comprise that portion of the lot bearing the number 256 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of St. Martin situate to the east of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's line, to lot number 300 inclusive of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of St. Vincent de Paul.

Centre.

The Centre ward shall comprise the whole of the lot bearing the number 255 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of St. Martin and its subdivisions and the portion of the lot and its subdivisions bearing the number 256 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of St. Martin situate to the west of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's line.

West.

The West ward shall comprise lots numbers 213 and 251 of the official plan and book of reference of the parish of St. Martin and the whole territory of the town comprised between the said two lots.

**R. S., 5364
replaced for
town.**

3. Article 5364 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced for the town, by the following:

**Qualifica-
tions for
mayor or
aldermen.**

"5364. No person shall be either nominated or elected mayor or alderman or occupy such office unless he, during the twelve months immediately preceding the day of the nomination, has been seized of and has possessed as proprietor in his own name or in that of his wife, immoveable property, in the municipality as regards the mayor, and in the ward for which an alderman is elected in the case of the latter, of the value of six hundred dollars, after payment or deduction of

all charges imposed thereon; such qualification to be established by the valuation roll in force at the date of the nomination.

4. Article 5300 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced, Id., 5300 replaced for town. for the town, by the following:

“**5300.** The municipal council of the town shall consist Municipal council. of a mayor and six aldermen and each of the wards of the town shall be represented in the said council by two aldermen”.

5. Section 18 of the act 2 George V, chapter 75, is replaced 2 Geo. V, c. 75, s. 18 replaced. by the following:

“**18.** Article 5450 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced, R. S., 5450 replaced for town. for the town, by the following:

“**5450.** The polls shall be opened at nine of the clock Polling hours. in the forenoon and kept open until eight of the clock in the afternoon of the same day, and each deputy-returning-officer shall, during that time, receive in the manner hereinafter prescribed, the votes of the electors duly qualified to vote.”

6. Section 7, 8, 9, 10, and 20 of the act 2 George V, chapter 75, are repealed. Repeals.

7. Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this act shall come into force Coming into force of ss. 2-6. at the date of the general municipal election in 1914.

8. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the town Special loan. of Laval des Rapides may, on a by-law adopted by the majority of the members of the whole council, borrow an amount of fifteen thousand dollars to pay the cost of incorporating the town, the fees and expenses in connection with this act, the yearly salaries of the legal adviser, chief of police and secretary-treasurer, the rent of the town hall, the purchase of a steam roller and stone-breaker and the expenses of administration for the fiscal year 1912-1913.

Such loan may be affected for a period not exceeding five Issue of bonds, \$ &c., therefor. years. by means of an issue of bonds or debentures signed by the mayor and countersigned by the secretary-treasurer, or by means of notes, on such terms and conditions as the council may deem expedient.

9. The town of Laval des Rapides may extend within a Extension of certain streets &c. delay of three years from the sanction of this act, within the limits of the town starting from the Canadian Pacific Railway to the western boundary of the town, in a straight line, Ainslee, Laval, Montmorency and Argenteuil avenues; and the owners of the immoveables where the extension of such avenues shall

pass, shall not within the above delay build on the land required for such extension.

Id. The town may exercise the above mentioned powers by by-law adopted by the majority of the members of the council.

Borrowing for certain purposes.

10. The town of Laval des Rapides may, in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Statutes, 1909, borrow a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, for the construction of a waterworks system, and the establishment of a lighting system for the town, for the construction of permanent sidewalks, for macadamizing, gravelling and improving the roads, streets or highways, and for building a town hall within the limits of its territory.

Provisions re present council.

11. Articles 5363 to 5365 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, shall not apply to the present mayor and aldermen of the town of Laval des Rapides, elected at the general elections on the 15th May 1912, and during their term of office. This section shall not effect pending cases.

R. S., 5559, replaced for town.

12. Article 5559 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced for the town by the following:

Quorum of council.

“ 5559. The majority of the members of the council shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, except where otherwise specially provided in this chapter.

Coming into force.

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

CHAP. 71

An Act to amend the charter of the town of St. Laurent.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the town of St. Laurent has by its petition represented that its charter, the act 8 Edward VII, chapter 94, no longer meets the needs of the municipality and that it is necessary to enact certain special provisions;

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer to that effect contained in the said petition;

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

8 Ed. VII, c. 94, s. 3a added.

1. The act 8 Edward VII, chapter 94, is amended by adding the following after section 3: