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An Act to amend the charter of the town of Thetford Mines, and change its name to that of "The city of Thetford Mines."

[Assented to 14th March, 1912.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of the town of Thetford Mines has, by its petition represented that it is in the interest of the proper administration of the affairs of the municipality that amendments be made to its charter the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 48, 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:

5 Ed. VII, c. 48, s. 1, replaced.

Short title, &c.

1. Article 1 of the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 48, is replaced by the following:

"**1.** This act shall be cited under the name of "Charter of the city of Thetford Mines," and the town of Thetford Mines shall in future be called "The city of Thetford Mines."

Id., s. 10, replaced.

2. Article 10 of the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 48, is replaced by the following:

Filling of vacancies.

"**10.** If any vacancy occur in the office of alderman, and such alderman has not more than three months to complete his term of office the council shall, by resolution, appoint a qualified person for such office to fill the place left vacant by such alderman, until the expiration of the term for which he was elected.

Id.

In every other case, vacancies shall be filled in the manner indicated in articles 5314 and following of the Revised Statutes, 1909."

5 Ed. VII, c. 48, s. 13a added.

Examination, &c., of lists of electors.

3. The following article is inserted in the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 48, after article 13:

"**13a.** Twenty days before the date fixed for an election or at any other date fixed by by-law, the treasurer shall examine the list of electors mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 of article 5368 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, who owe taxes or water-rates (except special taxes) and shall write in red ink, opposite their respective names, the taxes they owe the city.

Disfranchisement for non

Every deputy-returning-officer in charge of a poll is forbidden to deliver a ballot to any of the persons mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 of article 5368, on penalty of a fine

not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offence, unless such person produces a certificate from a competent officer, bearing the city seal, attesting that he has paid all the taxes or water-rates (except special taxes) which he owes the municipality.”

4. The following article is inserted in the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 48, after article 14.

“ 14a. Article 5461 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, is replaced for the city, by the following:

“ 5461. 1. Not more than one elector for each compartment shall, at any one time, enter the room where the poll is held and each elector upon so entering shall declare his name and occupation, which particulars shall be entered in the poll-book by the poll-clerk, a number being prefixed to the name.

2. The poll-book shall be kept in the form V.

3. If the elector's name be found on the list of electors for the polling division of the polling station, he shall be entitled to vote provided that in the case of a person mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 of article 5368 he shall have paid his taxes or water-rates (except special taxes) which he owes to the municipality.”

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

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An Act to ratify by-law No. 229 of the city of Salaberry de Valleyfield in connection with a commutation of taxes in favor of the Montreal Cotton Company.

[Assented to 14th March, 1912.]

WHEREAS the corporation of the city of Salaberry de Valleyfield has by its petition represented: that the Montreal Cotton Company carries on its principal industry within the limits of the city and employs in its mills a large number of residents of that locality;

That it is in the general interest that proper understanding and harmony should prevail between the council of the city and the Montreal Cotton Company by means of reciprocal and mutual sacrifices and advantages;

That the said company has offered the city council to provide it free of charge with electric light for all municipal buildings