

CHAP. 51

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Sherbrooke

[Assented to 4th June, 1910]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the city of Sherbrooke has, by its petition, represented that it is desirable and in the public interest that certain amendments be made to its charter, the act 7 Edward VII, chapter 66 ; 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 :

By-laws:

1. The council may make, amend and repeal by-laws :

a. To authorize the owner or owners of public abattoirs to make a tariff of charges not to exceed the amount fixed by the council, and to limit the number of public abattoirs ;

b. To authorize the council to fix an amount to be paid for the inspection mentioned in paragraph 4 of article 5639 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, and to determine the state in and the conditions under which the meats shall be inspected.

Privilege for water rates, &c.

2. The price of the water, light, heat and power supplied by the city shall be a privileged claim upon the debtor's moveables and immoveables, in the same manner as the other municipal taxes, but shall not be considered as municipal taxes for the purpose of exemption from taxation.

Obligation of peddlers, &c., to obtain license, &c.

3. Every peddler, itinerant trader, hawker or person going from house to house in the municipality to sell or offer for sale goods or merchandize with the exception of those exempted by article 1243 of the Revised Statutes, 1909, or selling such goods or merchandize in the streets, who refuses or neglects to obtain from the corporation the license required in such case after being called upon to do so, and who is thereby liable to a fine, may be arrested and detained by any constable and taken before a justice of the peace or magistrate having jurisdiction in order that he may be at once prosecuted for such offence ; but he shall not be detained without a warrant of arrest for more than forty-eight hours.

Expenditure for public rejoicings, &c.

4. On the occasion of public rejoicings, demonstrations of a public and popular character, receptions given to foreign public bodies and distinguished strangers and in other similar circumstances, or whenever the city council thinks proper to

pay an amount as remuneration or compensation or to grant aid in the case of fire or any other great calamity, the council may, on the recommendation of the finance committee to that effect, vote or authorize the expenditure of an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars in the course of one year, such amount to be taken out of the general funds of the city.

5. Section 8 of the act 7 Edward VII, chapter 66, is replaced 7 Ed. VII, c. 66, s. 8 replaced. by the following :

“ **8.** Every by-law, resolution, motion or notice of motion respecting any expenditure outside of the appropriations voted, shall before being finally adopted, be submitted to the finance committee who shall make a report either at the same meeting or at the next regular, special or adjourned meeting of the council. Submission of certain by-laws, &c., to finance committee, &c.”

If the finance committee does not make such report within such delay, the council may proceed without it.”

6. No by-law shall be repealed or amended except by another by-law, and before the latter by-law can be introduced, notice thereof must be given at a previous meeting. By-law how repealed, &c.

7. The city corporation may exempt the Sherbrooke Street Railway Company from municipal taxes for a period of twenty years dating from the contract to be entered into between the said company and the said city under by-law No. 280 of the city by-laws. Exemption of certain company from taxes.

8. The city is authorized to value the property of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company at fifty thousand dollars, whatever may be the value of the same. This power shall be exercised by by-law passed with all the formalities required in the case of a by-law granting exemption from municipal taxes under the city charter, and the valuation may be fixed for municipal purposes only without affecting the real value of such properties for other purposes. Valuation of certain property.

9. Section 112 of the act 7 Edward VII, chapter 66, is replaced by the following : Id., s. 112 replaced.

“ **112.** Chapter first of title eleventh of the Revised Statutes, 1909, (articles 5256 to 5884) shall apply to the city of Sherbrooke and form part of this act except in cases concerning which the present act contains provisions incompatible therewith. Nevertheless, the following articles of the said chapter shall not apply to the city of Sherbrooke, to wit : 5373, 5423, 5571, 5583, 5634, 5651, 5652, 5656, 5657, 5658, 5665, 5686, 5725 and 5735.” Cities and Towns' Act to apply, &c.

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