

parties hereto have hereto set their hands and signatures, and the said René Bauset, assistant city clerk, has hereto annexed the corporate seal of the City of Montreal, the whole in the presence of said notary who has also signed.

!(Signed) THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

“ T. G. SHAUGHNESSY, *President*.

“ C. DRINKWATER, *Secretary*.

“ H. LAPORTE, *Mayor*.

[L.S.] “ RENE BAUSET, *Asst. City Clerk*.

“ R. A. DUNTON, *N. P.*

A true copy of the original hereof remaining of record in my office.

R. A. DUNTON.

CHAP. 48

An Act to amend the charter of the city of St Hyacinthe

[Assented to 9th March, 1906]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the city of St. Hyacinthe has represented that it is in the interest of the proper administration of that city that certain amendments be made to its charter, the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 83, and the various acts amending the same, and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of 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:

51-52 V., c.
83, art. 14,
replaced.

1. Article 14 of the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 83, as amended by section 3 of the act 54 Victoria, chapter 80, and replaced by section 8 of the act 58 Victoria, chapter 52, is again replaced by the following:

Where elect-
ors to vote.

“**14.** Electors shall not vote except at the poll of the ward in which they are qualified as such.

If an elector is qualified to vote in more than one ward, he may vote for the election of aldermen in each ward in which he is so qualified.

Voting for aldermen if qualified in more than one ward. Payment of taxes before certain date required.

Nevertheless, no person qualified to vote at the election of mayor or of one or more aldermen shall be entitled to have his vote registered, unless he has paid, before the fifteenth of December immediately preceding such election, if it be an annual election, and at least eight days before any special election, his municipal taxes and assessments which are due.

Any municipal elector of the city may require that any elector shall produce a receipt, or a certificate from the treasurer or assistant-treasurer, establishing the payment of the said taxes before the prescribed date, in default of which such elector shall not vote."

Receipt to be produced if required.

2. Article 29 of the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 83, as replaced by section 12 of the act 58 Victoria, chapter 52, is again replaced by the following:

Id., 29, replaced.

"29. The nomination of candidates shall be held from the hour of ten to the hour of eleven in the forenoon on the first Monday of January, in the city hall of the city, unless that day is a non-judicial day, in which case such nomination shall be held on the next following judicial day between the same hours.

When nomination to be held.

The presiding officer shall receive the names and put in nomination all candidates duly qualified for the office, who shall be nominated in writing, by not less than twenty duly qualified electors, for the office of mayor, and not less than ten, for the office of alderman.

Nomination of candidates.

Each nomination-paper must specify the ward for which the candidate for the office of alderman is proposed; and no nomination-paper shall be accepted by the presiding officer unless it be accompanied by the written consent of the candidate nominated either for the office of mayor or for that of alderman.

Contents of nomination-paper.

The presiding officer shall require the person producing a nomination-paper to make oath before him that the several persons who have signed the nomination-paper are electors duly qualified to vote at the election, according to the electors' list in force, and that they signed the same in his presence.

Oath required.

The nomination-paper shall be in the form A in the schedule to the present act.

Form of nomination-paper.

At the hour of eleven of the clock in the forenoon of the said day, the presiding officer shall publicly declare the names of all candidates nominated for the offices of mayor and aldermen, with the names of the proposers, and with the names of the wards for which the said candidates as aldermen, are respectively nominated.

Proclamation by presiding officer.

If unopposed to be de-
clared elect-
ed. In case there are no more candidates duly nominated than there are vacancies to be filled in any ward of the city, the presiding-officer shall declare the candidate or candidates nominated to be elected."

Id., 47, re-
placed. **3.** Article 47 of the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 83, as amended by section 15 of the act 58 Victoria, chapter 52, is replaced by the following:

Monthly
meetings of
council
where held. **"47.** The council shall meet, at least once each month, for the transaction of the affairs of the city, and shall hold its sittings in such place as it shall please the said council to choose.

Absolute
majority de-
fined. The absolute majority of the members of the said council shall consist of at least one-half of the councillors in office and of the mayor, and shall form a quorum for the despatch of business; and all contested questions shall be decided by the majority of the members present; but for the purpose of amending, suspending or repealing any rule or by-law, no motion to that effect, regularly brought before the council, can be adopted and carried out unless it be voted by three-fifths of the aldermen.

Decision of
questions.

Members
personally
interested. No member of the council shall take part in the discussion of any question in which he has a personal interest.

Decision of
council as to
interest. The council, in case of dispute, shall decide whether the member has or has not a personal interest in the question; and such member has no right to vote on the question of his interest.

Appoint-
ment of head
of council,
&c. This article shall not apply to the appointment of the head of the council, nor to the naming of committees."

Id., 93, § 5,
replaced. **4.** Paragraph 5 of section 93 of the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 83, as replaced by section 39 of the act 58 Victoria, chapter 52, and by the act 3 Edward VII, chapter 65, section 2, is again replaced by the following:

Tax on
merchants,
brokers, &c. **"5.** On all merchants, traders, manufacturers, bankers, banks and all agents of bankers and banks, brokers and exchange agents, auctioneers, grocers, bakers, butchers, hucksters, owners or occupants of houses of public entertainment, inns, coffee-houses and eating-houses, retailers of spirituous liquors, proprietors of wood- or coal-yards, slaughter-houses, laundries, printing establishments, pawn-brokers, livery-stables, inspectors, lumber or coal merchants either by wholesale or retail, having a place of business in the city of St. Hyacinthe, dealers in potash, pork, beef, flour, butter or other produce; on railway, telegraph, telephone and light companies; on life, fire and accident insurance companies, both for persons and property, and manufacturers and suppliers of motive power, steamboat companies, or their agents, doing business in the city; on proprietors or managers of theatres, billiard-rooms, bowling-alleys, or other similar games, and generally on all trades, manufactures, occupations, business,

arts, professions, or means of profit or subsistence, whether they be above enumerated or not, which now are or may hereafter be done, exercised or carried on in the city,—a business tax, at the rate of seven and one-half per cent. on the annual value of the premises occupied by the said persons in the city, in which they do business or carry on such trade, manufacture, occupation, art, profession, or means of profit or subsistence; and further, a duty or license which it shall be lawful for the council to exact for the exercise of any of such offices, trades, arts, professions, business or industries in the said city; which license shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars for any telegraph, telephone, life insurance company, and fire and accident insurance company both for persons and property, and of one hundred and fifty dollars for light companies, and not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars for banks. The council shall have the right to impose a higher license, up to thirty per cent. additional, on persons carrying on such business, manufacture, trade and industry in the city, but not residing therein and not being proprietors therein.”

Additional
tax upon
those who
are not pro-
prietors and
are not resi-
dents.

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

CHAP. 49

An Act to consolidate and revise the charter of the town of
Levis

[Assented to 9th March, 1906]

WHEREAS the corporation of the town of Levis has, by its Preamble.
petition, represented that it has become expedient to consolidate and revise the charter of the said town, and to add further provisions;

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

CONSTITUTION AND BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN

1. This act shall be cited as “The charter of the town of Levis.” The provisions of this act shall not prejudicially affect vested rights. Citation of act. Vested rights, &c.

2. The inhabitants and ratepayers of the former corporation of the town of Levis and their successors are and remain a corporation and body politic, under the name of: “The town of Levis.” Corporation continued. Name.