

Proviso for certain towns and cities with population of less than three thousand.

Nevertheless, the corporation of any town or city municipality, situated on the banks of the river St. Lawrence, having a population of less than three thousand souls, which, at its own cost, opens and maintains its proportion of one winter road across said river, shall be exempted from further liability for the cost of any other road on the same river.

Art. added after id., 855.

13. The following article is added after article 855 of the said Code :

Construction, &c. of bridges may be assumed by local municipality.

“**855a.** Any local municipality may, by a *procès-verbal* or by-law, assume the whole or part of the cost of the construction and maintenance of any municipal bridge within its limits.”

Id., 1061, amended.

14. Article 1061 of the said Code, as it is contained in article 6218 of the Revised Statutes, is amended by adding, after paragraph 5, the following :

Appeal from certain decision, &c.

“6. From every refusal to decide or from every decision rendered by the county council in virtue of article 57.”

CHAP. 61

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Quebec

[Assented to 25th April, 1903]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the city of Quebec has, by petition, represented that it is necessary to amend its charter, and it is expedient to grant its prayer ;

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

City authorized to borrow certain sum for certain purposes.

1. The city of Quebec is hereby authorized to borrow an amount, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, for widening and paving certain streets, for the acquisition of grounds for the improvement and embellishment of the city, and for works in connection with the Quebec water-works and other works and permanent improvements.

Issue of debentures authorized.

2. For the purpose of effecting the said loan, the city is authorized to issue debentures as it may deem expedient for the purposes above mentioned ; such debentures shall be for such amount as the city shall deem proper, and shall be payable within a period not exceeding sixty-five years from their date, with interest not exceeding four per cent. per annum.

How debentures to be issued.

3. The said debentures shall be issued and registered in accordance with the formalities required for the debentures which the city has heretofore been authorized to issue.

4. The said debentures may be made payable at maturity or by annuities or in such other manner as the city may deem expedient. When debentures to be payable.

5. Section 20 of the act 61 Victoria, chapter 52, is replaced by the following : 61 V., c. 52, s.20, replaced.

“20. In any case where, after the making up of an assessment book, it shall become necessary to correct or amend the errors or omissions that may be found therein or to make amendments thereto, or whenever persons, not subject to assessment or to any tax whatsoever at the time of the making up of the said assessment book, shall, thereafter and within any period of the fiscal year, become subject to the payment of such assessment, rate or tax, such correction of errors or omissions, shall be made in such assessment book on petition to that effect addressed by any assessor to the recorder’s court ; provided such application shall not be made for more than the current year and the four preceding years.” Property and persons omitted from assessment roll, &c. Petition to have such entered.

6. The said petition shall be served on the interested party with a notice of its presentation, with a delay of two clear days, and proceedings shall be had thereon in accordance with the procedure of the said court ; and, if the said petition be proved, the said court shall order such error or omission to be rectified or such entry to be made in the assessment book as it may deem proper. Service on party interested. Correction ordered.

7. Subsection 4 of section 20 of the act 29 Victoria, chapter 57, as amended by the act 29-30 Victoria, chapter 57, section 9, is repealed. 29 V., c. 57, s. 20, § 4, repealed.

8. Section 21 of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 57, is replaced by the following : 62 V., c. 57, s. 21, replaced.

“21. The city is authorized to adopt, by by-law, such means as it may deem expedient to compel incorporated companies which erect poles within the city limits or which are proprietors or in possession of poles erected in the said city, or which have the use or make use of poles erected in the said city, to paint the same and to put certain marks thereon to indicate by what company they are used, and to suppress the poles not in accordance with the conditions required by such by-law.” City authorized to pass by-laws to have poles painted, &c.

9. Section 18 of the act 61 Victoria, chapter 52, as explained by section 20 of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 57, and replaced by section 10 of the act 1 Edward VII, chapter 42, is again replaced by the following : 61 V., c. 52, s. 18, replaced.

Special tax on
telegraph
poles, &c.

18. The said council may also make by-laws to compel any incorporated company to pay to the city an annual special tax, not exceeding twenty-five cents for each pole which it uses or whereof it has the use or control in the streets or public places of the city for telegraph, telephone or electric light lines or for the transmission of electric motive power, or destined for its use."

55-56 V.,
c. 50, s. 4,
replaced.
Prescription
of action to
set aside
by-law, &c.

10. Section 4 of the act 55-56 Victoria, chapter 50, is replaced by the following :

"**4.** The right to demand the rescinding of a by-law passed by the city council is prescribed by three months from the date of its coming into force. This prescription also applies to the right to demand the setting aside of a resolution of the said council."

61 V., c. 52,
s. 27, amend-
ed.
Removal of
snow, &c.

11. The third paragraph of section 27 of the act 61 Victoria, chapter 52, is replaced by the following :

"But such proprietor, occupant or tenant shall be required to make such removal from one-half only of such street or lane, or from a width of twenty feet on a public place, boulevard, or square or at the intersection of streets adjoining such house, building or property, in accordance with the by-laws made or to be made in that behalf by the council of the city."

29-30 V.,
c. 57, s. 62,
amended.

12. The first paragraph of section 62 of the act 29-30 Victoria, chapter 57, is replaced by the following :

Warrant to
arrest minors
abandoning
their homes.

"**62.** The said recorder or the said recorder's court, on the complaint made under oath of any father, mother, tutor or guardian of any minor child of either sex, that such minor has, without reasonable cause, abandoned or left the domicile of his or her father, mother, guardian or other person entrusted with the care or keeping of such minor, and that such child is concealed or living in any place whatsoever within the district of Quebec, may cause to issue from the said court a warrant for the arrest of the said minor, directing that he or she be brought before the said court ; and the said court, after hearing the parties or their attorneys, shall, if it deem it just, order the said minor to return to the domicile of such father, mother, tutor, guardian or other person aforesaid ; the said warrant may be addressed to the sheriff of the district, or to a bailiff of the Superior Court or of the said recorder's court, or to a police constable."

To whom to
be addressed.

Subsidy to
Quebec
Bridge valid-
ly paid.

13. The subsidy paid by the city of Quebec to the Quebec Bridge Company to aid in the construction of its bridge, has been validly paid under the authority of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 57, section 18."

14. The last paragraph of section 8 of the act 57 Victoria, chapter 58, is replaced by the following : 57 V., c. 58, s 8, amended.

“ Vacant lots shall be assessed upon the interest at six per cent. of their real value.” Assessment of vacant lots.

15. Section 26 of the act 61 Victoria, chapter 52, as replaced by the act 63 Victoria, chapter 48, section 6, is again replaced by the following : 61 V., c 52, s. 26, re-placed.

26. On the occasion of agricultural or industrial exhibitions within or without the city, of public rejoicings, of demonstrations of a public and popular character, of receptions of foreign public bodies and of distinguished personages, and under other similar circumstances, or whenever the city council deems it advisable to pay any sum for remuneration or compensation, or to encourage or aid public bodies, or to grant relief in cases of fire or other great calamity, it is lawful for the said council, on a recommendation to that effect from the finance committee, to vote or authorize the expenditure of an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars in any one year, such sum to be taken from the general funds of the city.” Certain sum may be paid by council for public rejoicings, &c.

16. This act shall be deemed to form part of the charter of the city of Quebec. Interpretation.

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

CHAPTER 62

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Montreal

[Assented to 25th April, 1903]

WHEREAS the city of Montreal has, by petition, represented that it is in the interest of the proper administration of its affairs that its charter, the act 62 Victoria, chapter 58, 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 Assémbly of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. Article 1 of the act 62 Victoria, chapter 58, as amended by the act 63 Victoria, chapter 49, section 1, is amended : 62 V., c. 58, art. 1, amended. . § (d) amended.

(a) By adding to paragraph (d) the following :

“ The words “ clerk of the recorder’s court ” shall mean the clerk of the recorder’s court of the city of Montreal, or his assistants, or any persons duly authorized to replace him ; ” “ Clerk of the recorder’s court.”