

shall thenceforward be declared fully paid up and unassessable for calls.

Law to apply. **13.** The Joint Stock Companies' General Clauses' Act shall apply to this company, in so far as it is not incompatible with the provisions of this act.

Coming into force. **14.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

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C H A P. 9 0

An Act to incorporate the Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition Company of St. Johns, P. Q.

[Assented to 26th March, 1902]

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS the persons hereafter mentioned have, by their petition, represented that the incorporation of an agricultural and industrial exhibition company, with its head office in the town of St. Johns, in the district of Iberville, would have the effect of aiding the development and progress of agriculture and of the industries connected therewith in the region of the Richelieu Valley, and also throughout the province ;

Whereas they have prayed to be authorized to organize such a company, and to that end desire to be incorporated by an act of the Legislature, and to be vested with all the necessary rights and powers for establishing and maintaining an agricultural and industrial exhibition company on a permanent basis in the district of Iberville, and also in all other places in the Province of Quebec with the concurrence of all persons, corporations or companies desirous of uniting with them and taking part therein, either as shareholders, members or exhibitors, under the name of the Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition Company of St. Johns, P. Q. ; and whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer ;

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

Persons incorporated.

**1.** Amable Bissaillon, mayor, Gabriel Marchand, journalist, J. S. Messier, advocate, Narcisse Lord, trader, Alex. Macdonald, gentleman, F. X. Archambault, notary, Trefflé Coté, trader, P. A. Chassé, advocate, Luc Papineau, trader, Louis Forgue, hotel-keeper, A. N. Deland, notary, A. Morin, prothonotary, all of the town of St. Johns ; J. B.

Baillargeon, farmer, of St. Luc ; J. B. Breault, Julien Deland, Joseph Deland, Lévi Toupin, J. B. Deland, Lucien Toupin, farmers, of the parish of St. Marguerite de Blairfindie ; Marcelliu Robert, farmer, Dr. A. Bouthillier, J. B. Bissonnette, farmer, J. A. Boissonnault, farmer, all of St. Blaise ; J. E. Masten, trader, of Lacolle ; Arthur Langlois, farmer, of the parish of St. John ; Joseph Bouchard, farmer, of St. Valentin ; Charles S. Roy, advocate, of Montreal ; J. A. Benoit, trader, Pierre Lalanne, Etienne Besette, T. Savaria, all farmers, of St. Grégoire ; Samuel J. Roy, and L. A. Comeau, both traders, of St. Anne de Sabrevois ; François Lafond, farmer, of Henryville, and François Lamoureux, farmer, of St. Sebastien, and all other persons who shall become shareholders in the company, are constituted a corporation under the name of "The Agricultural and Industrial Name. Exhibition Company of St. Johns, P. Q."

**2.** The authorized capital stock of the corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, but the corporation may commence business as soon as the sum of twenty thousand dollars is subscribed, in shares of one hundred dollars each.

Capital stock.  
When corporation may commence business.

**3.** The corporation shall have all the rights and powers conferred on joint stock companies, under the joint stock companies' general clauses' act.

Corporate rights.

**4.** The corporation shall, for the purposes of the association, have the right to purchase or lease real estate to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars ; to hypothecate the lands and properties which it may acquire, if necessary, and to sell or lease the same or any part thereof, if it be deemed advisable so to do.

Power to acquire, &c., certain area of real estate, &c.

**5.** It may also, instead of granting, or for the purpose of cancelling, hypothecs on the same or for other purposes connected with the business of the corporation, issue bonds to an amount not exceeding three quarters of the paid up and expended capital stock of the corporation or of the estimated value of its assets,—such bonds being a privileged lien upon the property and revenues of the corporation.

Power to issue bonds, &c.  
Privilege thereof.

**6.** It shall have the right to organize and control agricultural, horticultural and industrial or other exhibitions of the same kind, or to lease its lands and properties or portions thereof for exhibitions or other purposes to other companies or to other persons ; to charge and collect entrance fees, and to control, within the limits of the grounds owned or leased by it during the exhibition, the right to sell refreshments, food and produce of all kinds.

Corporation may organize &c., exhibitions, &c.

Sales of cattle, &c.

**7.** It shall also have the right to organize and control the sales, by auction or otherwise, of cattle, horses, sheep or other animals or agricultural produce and agricultural implements, and to collect the revenues therefrom, either by commission or otherwise.

Corporation may receive aid from agricultural societies, &c.

**8.** The corporation may, with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture, receive from agricultural societies organized under the general law of the Province of Quebec, the whole or any portion of their annual grants, and the latter are hereby specially authorized to give or transfer, on a vote of their directors, to the said corporation, the whole or any portion of their annual grants, on such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon between the said societies and the corporation.

Law to apply to corporation.

**9.** All provisions of the joint stock companies' general clauses' act shall apply to the corporation, except articles 4656 and 4657 of the Revised Statutes.

Number of directors.

**10.** The directors of the corporation shall be in such number as shall be determined by the by-laws of the shareholders, adopted at their first meeting or lawfully changed from time to time.

Executive committee.

**11.** The said directors shall choose from amongst their number and appoint an executive committee and, from time to time, grant such committee such powers as the united body of the directors possesses, but they may withdraw such powers at any time by the vote of a majority of the directors duly called together.

Certain subscriptions declared to be valid.

**12.** The subscriptions already given to the capital stock of the present association, either under the name of "The Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition Company of St. Johns, P.Q.," or any other name, are declared to be valid and obligatory, and may be put in force by the corporation hereby incorporated.

Corporation property not liable for municipal taxes, &c.

**13.** The moveable and immoveable property held by the corporation, either as owner or under a precarious title or as tenant, shall not be liable to any municipal taxes, whether general or special.

Provisional directors.

**14.** The nine persons who are named below shall be provisional directors of the corporation, to wit : Marcellin Robert, of St. Blaise; J. E. Masten, of Lacolle; J. A. Benoit, of

St. Grégoire ; J. Bte. Deland, of L'Acadie ; Amable Bisailon, of St. Johns ; Gabriel Marchand, of St. Johns ; Luc Papineau, of St. Johns ; Alexander Macdonald, of St. Johns ; and Narcisse Lord, of St. Johns.

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

## C H A P. 91

An Act to authorize the construction of a toll bridge across the River St. Francis, between the town of Richmond and the village or township of Melbourne.

[Assented to 26th March, 1902]

**W**HEREAS, under the provisions of the act of this province, 45 Victoria, chapter 108, the St. Francis Bridge Company was empowered to maintain a toll-bridge across the river St. Francis, between the village of Richmond (now the town of Richmond) and the village of Melbourne ; Preamble.

And whereas that bridge was carried away by the ice in the spring of the year one thousand nine hundred and one, and, to the great inconvenience of the public, no steps have been taken to reconstruct the said bridge ;

Whereas the municipal councils of the town of Richmond, the village of Melbourne, and the municipality of Melbourne and Brompton Gore have passed resolutions favouring the construction and maintenance of a toll-bridge at the joint expense of the three corporations, and a petition has been presented asking for the special authorization of the Legislature, and 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 :

**1.** It shall be lawful for the corporations of the town of Richmond, the village of Melbourne, and the township of Melbourne and Brompton Gore to construct and maintain a bridge across the St. Francis river, with all the necessary approaches, piers, works and buildings, from any point in the town of Richmond to any opposite point in the village or township of Melbourne, and, to that end, to acquire, by expropriation, private sale or donation, such land as may be expedient. Certain municipal corporations authorized to build bridge over St. Francis at Richmond.