

CAP. LXII

An act to amend the charter of the city of Sherbrooke,
55-56 Victoria, chapter 51.

[Assented to 10th March, 1899.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of the city of Sherbrooke has, by its petition, prayed for certain amendments to its charter, (55-56 Victoria, chapter 51), and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition ;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

55-56 V., s.
17, amended.

1. Subsection (e) of section 17 of the act 55-56 Victoria, chapter 51, is replaced by the following :

Payment of
taxes a pre-
liminary to
right to vote
in certain
cases.

“(e) If he be not a proprietor of real estate in the city, he must have paid all taxes due by him to the city, and, in order to vote at any municipal election, he must have paid all such taxes before five of the clock in the afternoon of the Wednesday next preceding the polling day for such election.”

Id., s. 55,
amended.

2. Subsection (k) of section 55 of the said act is replaced by the following :

Special tax
upon certain
companies.

“(k) A special tax on every company or person, not having its principal place of business or works in the city, that introduces its wires for the purpose of furnishing electric light or electric power for hire or sale in the city.”

Exemptions
from payment
of business-
tax.

3. The council may, by by-law, provide that persons paying the special tax or duty imposed under the provisions of subsections *g.* or *i.* of said section 55, upon any business, trade, profession or occupation, shall be exempt from the payment of the “business-tax,” which may be imposed under subsection *b.* upon the same business, trade, profession or occupation.

Id. s., 64,
amended.

4. Section 64 of the said act is amended by striking out the figures “2468” which occur in the seventeenth line thereof, and substituting therefor the figures “2168.”

Id. s. 66,
amended.

5. Section 66 of the said act is amended by adding thereto the following subsections :

Wires to be
placed under
ground.

“38. To compel telephone, telegraph and electric light and electric power companies to place their wires in the streets and public places of the city underground.

Existing
rights saved.

Nothing in this subsection shall prejudice existing rights (if any there are) in favor of any company under contracts entered into with the city.

"39. To compel all who have clerks, workmen and other employees in their service to give information as to the rates of wages paid or payable to such employees. Return from employers as to wages, &c.

"40. To compel property holders on the lines of the streets where the city sewers have been laid, to connect the sewerage of their property with the city system of sewerage. Connection with city sewers.

"41. To make an annual allowance to the mayor, not to exceed five hundred dollars. Allowance to mayor.

6. The French version of section 67 of the said act is amended by replacing the words "des dits règlements" in the second line, with the words "d'aucun règlement." French version of id., s. 67, amended.

7. The oath of qualification given in schedule I of the said act is amended by adding to the second paragraph thereof the following words : Id., schedule I, amended.

"And I have paid all taxes required to be paid, to qualify me to vote at this election." Declaration as to payment of taxes.

CAP. LXIII

An Act to amend the acts respecting the town of Longueuil.

[Assented to 10th March, 1899.]

WHEREAS the corporation of the town of Longueuil has, Preamble.
by its petition, represented that it is expedient to amend and extend the powers conferred upon the town by its charter, the act 44-45 Victoria, chapter 75, as amended by the act 49-50 Victoria, chapter 47, and by the act 56 Victoria, chapter 56 :

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. Section 1 of the act 56 Victoria, chapter 56, is replaced by the following : 56 V., c. 56, s. 1, replaced.

"1. Upon a petition of two-thirds of the proprietors in number and in value owning, by authentic titles, any lands within the territory adjacent to the town and bearing the numbers 35, 36 and 37 of the cadastre of the parish of Longueuil and their subdivisions, it shall be lawful for the town council to include the said territory within the town. Annexation of adjacent property, &c.

When such territory shall have been so included by a by-law of the town council, on the petition of the majority of the proprietors as aforesaid, it shall form part of the town of Longueuil for all the purposes indicated in the charter of the said town and its amendments.