

CAP. LIV

An Act to amend the various acts respecting the corporation
of the city of Three Rivers

[Assented to 15th January, 1898]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of the city of Three Rivers has, by its petition, prayed that certain amendments be made to the act 38 Victoria, chapter 76, and to the various acts amending the same, and whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer ;

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

Bonds may be issued for construction, &c., of sewers.

1. The city council may of its own accord, when it deems the same expedient, order the construction of sewers in any street, part of a street or lane in the city, and it is hereby authorized to issue bonds or otherwise contract on the credit of the city of Three Rivers a debt not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars.

How bonds shall be signed, &c.

The bonds, so issued specially and solely for the object above mentioned, shall be issued under the signature of the mayor, the counter-signature of the secretary-treasurer and the seal of the corporation, and shall bear interest, semi-annually, on the first day of May and first day of November of each year, at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum ; and coupons for the amount of the half-yearly interest thereon, may be annexed to such bonds.

How coupons shall be signed.

The coupons shall be signed by the secretary-treasurer, and shall be payable respectively to the bearers thereof, when and so soon as the half-yearly interest therein mentioned shall become due, and shall on payment thereof be handed to the corporation.

Proof of payment of coupons.

The possession of any such coupons shall be *prima facie* evidence that the half-yearly interest mentioned therein is paid according to the tenor of the bonds.

Bonds how secured.

All these bonds, both interest and capital, shall be secured by special and privileged hypothecs on the said sewers.

Special tax for payment of certain sums.

The sums hereafter expended in virtue of this section shall be added to the cost of the sewers already constructed in virtue of section 16 of the act 53 Victoria, chapter 69, and the council shall continue to levy a special tax on all proprietors of property on the streets or parts of streets where such sewers are situated, which tax shall be based upon the value of their properties as established by the valuation roll, and shall be for the purpose of meeting the annual interest on such bonds, at the rate fixed and their sinking fund.

Bonds for paving streets, &c.

2. The council shall have power to issue bonds or otherwise contract on the credit of the city a sum not exceeding

twenty thousand dollars, for the purpose of continuing to pave, macadamize or plank any street or part of a street which it may deem expedient.

The second, third and fourth clauses of the preceding section shall apply to the issue of these bonds as if they formed part of this section. Application of previous section.

3. The tolls or dues which may have been levied until now on persons, animals, vehicles, merchandise, produce or other articles passing on the bridges, over the river St Maurice, which belong to the corporation of the city, shall be deemed to have been lawfully collected as if they had been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in accordance with section 1 of the act 41 Victoria, chapter 30. Certain tolls declared to have been lawfully collected.

4. The following subsection is added after subsection 3, of section 80 of the act 38 Victoria, chapter 76 : 38 V., c. 76, s. 80, amended.

“4. To cause to be killed or slaughtered, at any place within the city, any animal attacked by a contagious disease, when such disease shall be established by the certificate of a veterinary surgeon.” Slaughter of diseased animals.

5. It shall be lawful for the corporation, if it deem it desirable and expedient, after having given public notice in the usual manner, to sell by auction the daily receipts of one or more markets of the city for a period not exceeding twelve months in the case of each sale ; or, if it prefer, keep possession of such markets and continue to collect the daily revenues or receipts therefrom. Sale of market revenues by auction.

6. The school commissioners of the city of Three Rivers are authorized to borrow an amount not exceeding in the aggregate twenty-five thousand dollars for the following purposes only : nineteen thousand dollars for consolidating their debts actually existing, created for the purchase of various lands and properties and for the redemption of temporary obligations to become due ; six thousand dollars for the enlargement and building of new schools. School commissioners may borrow certain sums.

The bonds, so issued specially and solely for the purpose above mentioned, shall be issued under the signature of the chairman and of the secretary-treasurer of the said school commissioners and the seal of the said city, and shall be payable to bearer : they shall bear interest half-yearly on the first day of May and first day of November of each year, at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, and to all such bonds there may be annexed coupons for the amount of the half-yearly interest thereon, which coupons shall be signed by the secretary-treasurer and shall be payable to the holder thereof ; the possession by the said school commissioners of any such coupon shall be *prima facie* proof Bonds and how to be signed, &c.

that the half-yearly interest mentioned therein has been paid.

Bonds how secured.

All these bonds, in capital and interest, shall be secured by special and privileged lien on the immoveable properties of the said school commissioners.

R. S., 4213, § 6, to form part of charter.

7. Paragraph 6 of article 4213 of the Revised Statutes shall form part of the charter of the city of Three Rivers.

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An Act to amend the charter of the city of St. Henri

[Assented to 15th January, 1898]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the city of St. Henri has, by petition, represented that it is desirable to effect certain amendments to its charter and to grant it more ample powers, and it is expedient to grant its prayer :

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

60 V., c. 62, art. 95, replaced.

1. Article 95 of the charter of the city of St. Henri, 60 Victoria, chapter 62, is replaced by the following :

Liquor shops to be closed during certain hours on polling day. Penalty.

" 95. During the whole time that the polls are open and for two hours after they are closed, every store or licensed house for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors in any ward in which there is voting shall be closed, under a penalty of a fine of one hundred dollars, and of three months' imprisonment in default of payment."

Id. 397, amended.

2. The first paragraph of article 397 of the charter is replaced by the following :

Valuation of taxable property when to be made.

" 397. It is the duty of the valuator in office to make, every second year at the time ordered by the council, the valuation of the taxable property in the city."

Art. added after id., 397.

3. The following article is added after article 397 of the charter :

Valuation roll for 1898 to remain in force for 1899.

" 397a. The valuation roll made for the year 1898 shall remain in force for the year 1899, saving the following provisions :

Roll to be revised during 1898.

1. In the course of the year 1898, at the time ordered by the council, the valuator in office shall make a revision of the valuation roll in force, which revision shall comprise the information not already contained in the said roll.