

aldermen or councillors implicated by the report of the commissioners.

Prosecution by Attorney-General to recover costs.

In default of the immediate payment of such costs, the Attorney-General shall prosecute the persons so in default, and they shall be liable to imprisonment until their proportionate share of such costs is fully paid up.

Protection and privileges of commissioners.

“**598f.** The commissioners shall have the same protection and privileges as are now conferred upon judges of the Superior Court, for any act done or omitted in the execution of their duty.

Writ of injunction, &c., not to lie.

“**598g.** No writ of injunction or prohibition or other legal proceeding shall interfere with or stay the proceedings of the commissioners in the inquiry.

Copies of evidence.

“**598h.** Certified copies of the evidence taken by the commissioners may be obtained by any person applying for the same, on payment therefor at the rate of ten cents per hundred words.

Date when labors, &c., to be completed.

“**598i.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall fix the date when the commissioners shall complete their labors and reports, and the limit of expenditure on such commission ; after which date all expenses of the commission shall cease.”

Coming into force.

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

CAP. XII.

An Act to amend the law respecting the civil service.

[Assented to 21st December, 1895.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Art. added after R. S., 665.

1. The following article is added after article 665 of the Revised Statutes :

Head of department may hold or authorize inquiries to be held by one or more deputy-heads.

“**665a.** It is lawful for the head of any department to hold, or to authorize in writing one or three deputy heads of departments to hold, in his stead, an inquiry into the conduct of any employe under his control, or into any matter connected with the administration or management of his department.

Powers during inquiry.

He has, as also the person or persons so authorized, power to interrogate witnesses on oath or affirmation, as the case may be.”