

and the municipalities which are not governed by the Municipal Code have thus been deprived of the benefits of the provisions of the said act ;

Whereas, for the advantage of the said municipalities, it is necessary to re-enact such of the provisions of the said chapter 26 and its amendments as have not been consolidated and reproduced in the said Revised Statutes ;

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

C. S. L. C., c. 26, in so far as not reproduced in R. S., restored.

**1.** The provisions of chapter 26 of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada, and its amendments, which have not been consolidated and reproduced in the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, are restored for all municipalities not governed by the Municipal Code.

Appointment of rural inspector in certain municipalities.

**2.** When the charter of any of these municipalities does not provide for the same, the council thereof shall, in the month of March every two years, appoint a rural inspector, whose duties shall be the same as those of such officer under the Municipal Code.

Coming into force.

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

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#### CAP. XLIV.

An Act to amend the ordinance 3 Victoria, chapter 31, intitled : " An ordinance to provide for the improvement of the roads in the neighbourhood of and leading to the city of Montreal, and to raise a fund for that purpose," and the several ordinances and acts amending the same.

[Assented to 12th January, 1895.]

**H**ER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

Composition of board of trustees.

**1.** On and after the first Monday in the month of March next, the trustees of the Montreal turnpike roads appointed under the authority of the ordinance of Lower Canada, 3 Victoria, chapter 17, shall be replaced by two trustees appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and by three other trustees to be elected, in the manner herein-after provided, by the holders of bonds or debentures of the trust.

Powers of trustees.

**2.** The trustees so appointed and elected shall possess the same powers, fulfil the same duties and be subject to

the same penalties as the present trustees under the laws governing the trust.

3. The election of trustees by the bond or debenture holders shall be held on the second Tuesday of the month of February next, and thereafter at intervals of two years at the same date, and the trustees so elected, who shall be eligible to be re-elected, shall continue and remain trustees, fully vested with all their powers as such trustees, until other trustees shall have been duly elected under the provisions of this act, and shall have entered on the performance of their duties. Their election.

4. The trustees shall select from among themselves their chairman; and, if a vacancy occurs in the numbers of those elected, whether by death, resignation or otherwise, a meeting of the bond or debenture holders shall be held within one month thereafter, for the election of a trustee to fill such vacancy; and the trustee elected to fill such vacancy shall have the same powers, fulfil the same duties, be subject to the same penalties, and remain in office for the same period as the other elected trustees. President, &c., vacancies in trust.

5. All meetings for the election of trustees shall be held in the office of the trust in the city of Montreal at the hour of ten of the clock in the forenoon. When meetings for election to be held.

2. A notice of eight days shall be given for the meeting by the secretary of the trust in a French and English newspaper published in the city of Montreal, and in the *Quebec Official Gazette*, and notice of such meeting shall be mailed by the secretary to all bond and debenture holders whose names and addresses may be known to him; Notice calling.

3. If the election be not held on the day indicated in the notice, it may be held on any subsequent day, after similar notice. If election not held.

6. The quorum of bond or debenture holders necessary for an election shall be bond or debenture holders of not less than fifty thousand dollars in capital of the bonds or debentures of the trust, who may be present in person or represented by proxy. Quorum of meetings.

Bond or debenture holders may vote by proxy, and each bond or debenture holder shall have one vote for each one hundred dollars in capital of the bonds or debentures held by him, and no sum less than one hundred dollars shall give a right to vote. Voting by proxy.

7. Every bond or debenture holder who shall claim the right to vote, or the proxy of such bond or debenture holder, shall produce, together with the bonds or debentures, a list of the names of the bondholders or debenture holders who shall claim the right to vote, together with the names of the persons who shall claim the right to vote for them. List to be forwarded by bondholders when claiming right to vote.

tures upon which he demands to vote, a list of such bonds or debentures, which shall specify, in detail, the number, date and amount of each such bond or debenture, and the number of votes to which he lays claim, and shall sign the same.

Verification of list.

8. The secretary of the trust, or, in his absence or inability to act, a person chosen by the meeting to that end, shall verify such list, and shall certify, under his signature, to the number of votes to which each bond or debenture holder is entitled.

Deposit of list.

Such list shall be annexed to and form part of the voting papers, and it shall, after the election, be kept of record by the secretary of the trust.

Coming into force and repeal of inconsistent enactments.

9. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction, and all enactments inconsistent therewith are repealed.

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C A P. X L V .

An Act respecting the tenure of lands in the Magdalen Islands.

[Assented to 12th January, 1895.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Magdalen Islands were granted by letters-patent of the 24th April, 1798, to Isaac Coffin, of London, then captain in the Royal Navy, afterwards Sir Isaac Coffin, baronet, His Majesty's Admiral of the Red, to be possessed by him in free and common soccage ;

Whereas, at the time of the grant of the said islands to the said Isaac Coffin, the population thereof was about one hundred families ;

Whereas long before the said grant and afterwards up to about the year 1831, the occupants of the said islands had no titles other than those of occupancy, as well by themselves as by their predecessors, since the first granting of the said islands, by *La Compagnie de la Nouvelle France*, on the 19th January, 1663, to *sieur Doublet, capitaine de navires*, for the purposes of settlement ;

Whereas in 1831, the population of the said islands was 1757 souls ;

Whereas in 1831, the said Isaac Coffin required the occupants of the said islands to take titles, and, from 1831 to 1839, titles in the nature of perpetual leases, perpetual leases at an irredeemable rent, and emphyteutic leases were granted ;

Whereas the said Isaac Coffin died in England on the 23rd of July, 1839, and, by his last will, dated the 15th