

CAP. VIII.

An Act respecting the contract entered into between the Government and the Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal.

[Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

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

Contract of
Aug. 31st,
1892, ratified

1. The contract, set forth in schedule A of this act, respecting the care, supervision and payment of the expenses for the custody and maintenance of juvenile offenders confined in the Montreal Reformatory School, as also the direction and management of that school, passed on the thirty-first of August, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, between the Government and the Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, is approved and ratified.

Coming into
force.

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

SCHEDULE A.

CONTRACT.

In the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two on the thirty-first day of August, before Alexandre Gauvreau, notary public, in and for the Province of Quebec, residing at Quebec, appeared :

Her Majesty Queen Victoria, by the Government of the said Province of Quebec, herein represented by the Honourable Louis Philippe Pelletier, Secretary of the Province of Quebec, duly authorized to the effect of these presents, as appears by a report of a committee of the Executive Council of the said Province, dated the twenty-sixth of August instant, and approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the said Province of Quebec, on the thirtieth day of August instant, of which said report a copy, duly certified by the Clerk of the said Executive Council, is hereunto annexed, after having been signed by the parties and the said notary, *ne varietur*, of the one part ;

The Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal, a body politic and incorporated by an act of the Legislature of the said Province of Quebec, 32 Victoria, chapter 77, the said corporation herein represented by the Reverend Brother Hilduard Dominique VanLangendonck, Provincial Superior of the said Community and, as such, president of the said Corporation of the Brothers of Charity of St. Vin-

cent de Paul of Montreal, duly authorized for the effect of these presents by the resolution of the members of the said Corporation, adopted at the meeting of the 11th of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two (1892), as appears by a duly certified copy thereof, hereunto annexed, after having been signed by the parties and the said notary, *ne varietur*, of the other part :

Who, considering the certificate for a Reformatory School granted by the Government of the said Province, to the Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal, and published on the twenty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, in the *Official Gazette* of the said Province of Quebec, by which certificate the said Brothers were authorized, from and after the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, to receive juvenile Catholic offenders sentenced to detention in a Reformatory Prison, in this Province, have entered into the following agreement, to wit :

1. The Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal, undertake, for the term and space of ten years, from and after the first day of September next (1892), to take under their care, lodge, feed and clothe the juvenile offenders who, under the law, shall be sent to them, to pay all the expenses required for the maintenance of such establishment, to furnish and maintain the workshops, effects and materials and every thing necessary for the work, primary education and mechanical instruction of the juvenile offenders, to pay the whole staff of such establishment and defray all expenses of direction and administration, including the physician, chaplain, and all expenses whatever required for the institution, repairs, changes and furniture, the whole on as good a footing as the said Reformatory School is now kept in every respect.

2. As long as the Reformatory School of the Brothers, above named, is kept in the house now occupied by them, in the said city of Montreal, the Government of this Province shall pay to the said Brothers, for each offender actually detained in the Reformatory School, or who shall hereafter be sent there, with the authorization required by law, the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars per annum ; but if the total number of offenders shall be less than two hundred and fifty, then they shall be paid one hundred and thirty dollars, instead of one hundred and twenty for each child ; but when the number of children shall at any time be two hundred and fifty, or over, the price shall always be one hundred and twenty dollars.

3. The product of the work of the juvenile offenders shall belong to the said Brothers ; but a proportion of not less than one quarter of such work shall be expended by them as prizes each year to the offenders whose conduct and

application to work shall be satisfactory in the opinion of the said Brothers ; it being understood that, as regards the offenders whose conduct and application are not satisfactory, such money shall not be paid to them, but shall belong one half to the said Brothers, and one half to the Government ; the said Brothers to render an account of the whole to the Lieutenant-Governor each year.

4. It shall be lawful, at any time, for each of the parties to the present contract, during the said term of ten years, to resiliate and put an end to the present contract by giving twelve months' notice.

5. In the event of no arrangements being made on the expiration of the said ten years, the said contract shall continue from year to year, but may be terminated at the end of each year by either of the parties giving six months' notice.

6. Every sum payable to the said Brothers, in virtue of the present agreement, shall be paid to them monthly, as is now done.

7. The said Brothers shall comply with the laws respecting Reformatory Schools, and with the instructions which may, from time to time, be given them by the Provincial Secretary.

8. In the event of any of the offenders confided to their care deserting, the Brothers shall be obliged to incur and defray all expenses necessary for apprehending and imprisoning them.

9. In the event of a pardon or a remission of sentence being granted to any offender by competent authority, the Government shall cease to pay for such offender from the moment of such pardon or remission of sentence.

10. The said Brothers of Charity may admit into their houses and keep therein as boarders, children of vicious character and difficult to manage, for whose board parents shall consent to pay ; but on the condition that such admissions shall not be to the detriment of the space required for the other offenders.

11. In addition to the persons authorized by law to do so, it shall be lawful for the judges, sheriffs, clerks of the Crown, police magistrates, judges of the sessions, members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec, members of the Executive Council, as well as the Diocesan Bishop, his Vicars-General, and other persons authorized by the said Bishop, to visit the said Reformatory Schools, so kept by the said Brothers, at any time, within suitable hours.

12. The said Brothers shall further comply with the instructions and regulations which shall, from time to time, be adopted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, for the government and good administration of the said Reformatory

School, and follow the advice and instructions which the inspectors of prisons shall give them, in the performance of their duties.

13. And in default of the said Brothers fulfilling the clauses and conditions of the present contract, it shall become null and void, to all intents and purposes.

14. The costs of the present deed shall be paid by the parties of the second part, who shall furnish a certified copy thereof to the Government. The present contract shall be submitted to the Legislature for approval at its next session and shall be ratified by it.

Whereof act, etc.

Done and passed at the said city of Quebec, in the office of the undersigned notary, under the number 2817.

And the parties have signed with the notary, these presents duly read.

(Signed), LOUIS P. PELLETIER,
 Provincial Secretary.

“ Frère HILDUARD, Prov. Sup.,
President of the said Corporation.

“ ALEX. GAUVREAU, N.P.

A true copy of the original remaining of record in my office.

(Signed), ALEX. GAUVREAU,
N.P.

A Copy of the Report of the Committee of the Honourable Executive Council, dated the 26th of August, 1892, approved by the Lieutenant-Governor on the 30th of August, 1892.

No. 450.

On the approval of a contract with the Brothers of Charity
of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal.

The Honourable Provincial Secretary, in a memorandum dated the twenty-sixth of August instant, 1892, recommends that he be authorized to sign the contract, copy whereof is annexed to the said memorandum, with the Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal, to take under their care, lodge, feed and clothe the juvenile offenders who shall be sent to them, in virtue of the law.

Certified,

(Signed), GUSTAVE GRENIER,
Clerk of the Executive Council.