

to improve the water-power and supply of water at rapids or other places on the stream ; provided, however, that the company shall be responsible for any damage thereby caused, and that public or private property shall not be made use of without permission first obtained from the competent authorities or proprietors. Proviso.

4. The company is hereby empowered to issue first mortgage-bonds or debentures payable in such manner and at such rate of interest as may be determined upon, to an amount not exceeding the total subscribed capital of the company, and such first mortgage-bonds shall be and constitute a first mortgage on all the real property of the said company, and shall be valid as such without registration. Power to issue first mortgage bonds.

5. The contracts of purchase of immovable property entered into and executed by and on behalf of the said company, on the seventh of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, before E. G. Meredith, notary, are hereby confirmed and legalized to all intents and purposes, according to their tenor and effect. Certain contracts of purchase valid.

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

CAP. LXXIII.

An Act to amend the charter of the St. Henri Light and Power Company.

[Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

WHEREAS the St. Henri Light and Power Company, by their petition to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, have prayed for an act to amend their act of incorporation, 55-56 Victoria, chapter 77, and to change the name of the company to the Standard Light and Power Company ; Preamble.

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of their petition ;

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

1. Section 6 of the act 55-56 Victoria, chapter 77, is replaced by the following : 55-56 V., c. 77 s. 6, replaced.

“ 6. The company may :

1. Erect above buildings, with the permission of the municipal council or of the proprietors, by paying such pro- Company may : Erect, over buildings, &c., and on streets,

necessary
posts &c.,
constructions,
&c. ;

Proviso.

prietors any real damages, if any there are, which they may suffer by reason thereof, and also erect above ground, all necessary constructions, including posts and all supports for conducting wires and electricity or other motor power along or across streets, public roads and highways, or over any water-courses in the Province of Quebec, subject to the provisions of section 17 of this act, and provided that the public shall not be put to any inconvenience in using such streets, roads, highways or water-courses, and that navigation shall not be interrupted, and also that the municipal council in all cities, towns, or incorporated villages, if they deem necessary, shall have the right to oversee and prescribe the manner in which such streets, roads and highways shall be opened for the erection of poles, or for the placing of wires under ground ; and provided, also, that the surfaces of such streets shall in all cases be put back into their original condition by the company, at its own costs, as near as possible. And provided, moreover, that the wires may be cut by the order of the chief of the fire brigade, in case he shall deem it necessary for the purpose of extinguishing fires, in which case the company shall not be entitled to any compensation for the loss of such wires ; and, in case the wires are so cut, the company shall not be liable to its customers for any interruption or non-execution of their contracts by reason thereof ;

Increase capi-
tal stock, &c. ;

2. Increase its capital stock, from time to time, by a resolution of its board of directors, with the sanction, by vote, of shareholders representing at least two thirds of the capital stock of the company, at a special or general meeting called for that purpose ; provided that such increase is not made before the total original capital stock of the said company has been subscribed and paid, and provided, also, that such capital does not exceed, at any time, one million, five hundred thousand dollars.

Purchase,
lease, &c.,
real estate,
&c. ;

3. Purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire and possess all the real estate which may, from time to time, be deemed necessary for the purposes of its operations, and sell, lease, or otherwise alienate or hypothecate, either by pledge or mortgage, its real estate or any part thereof, from time to time, in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed advisable.

Subscribe, &c.,
shares in other
companies.

4. Subscribe for and accept transfers of, and possess shares in the capital stock of any other company or corporation, in payment, or on account of all rights or other privileges purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired from this company. ”

Id. s. 14.
amended.

2. Section 14 of the said act is amended by striking out the second paragraph of the said section, commencing with the word “ nevertheless ” and ending with the word “ hereto. ”

3. Section 15 of the said act is replaced by the following: Id. s. 15, replaced.

“ **15.** The company may acquire the ownership or use of any patents, patent rights, or franchises in respect of electricity, gas, and other illuminants or motive power, and may amalgamate with, or acquire rights, privileges, franchises, and contracts heretofore granted to other companies or individuals within the limits of the Province of Quebec, either by purchase or lease, or by acquiring, or obtaining control of the capital stock of the said companies, for the purpose of carrying out the objects for which this company is incorporated, and may issue paid-up shares in payment of such purchase, contract or amalgamation, and also for all services for which it shall be obliged to pay; provided, however, that such payment or payments, in paid-up capital stock, shall not exceed the amount of its authorized capital. Company may acquire patents, &c.;

It may also manufacture machines covered by such patents, of which it may have acquired the ownership.” Manufacture patented machines, &c.

4. Section 23 of the said act is replaced by the following: Id., s. 23, replaced.

“ **23.** The provisions of the law respecting railways, being section twelfth of chapter third of title eleventh of the Revised Statutes, are incorporated in this act.” Laws to govern company.

5. Section 25 of the said act is repealed, and the following sections are added after section 24 thereof: Id., s. 25, repealed and articles added after s. 24.

“ **25.** Should the company find it necessary to increase its capital stock, the said company shall, notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of its act of incorporation, be at liberty to acquire and hold, by lease or otherwise, real estate within the limits of the Province of Quebec to the extent of one half of the amount of such increased capital, and may alienate or otherwise dispose of or hypothecate the same in favor of trustees, as may be deemed necessary in the interests of the company. Power to acquire, &c., real estate in certain event, &c.

“ **26.** Any municipal corporation may take shares in the company, and aid the company by bonus, loans, or advances, or by guaranteeing the payment of bonds, or by granting it such privileges and exemptions as the council of any such municipal corporation may deem advisable. Subscriptions by municipal corporations, &c.

“ **27.** The company shall have the right to make over and transfer to any other company, corporation or person the whole or a portion of the powers conferred upon it by its charter or of the privileges acquired by it, in order that they may exercise the same within the limits of their juris- Power to transfer privileges, &c., to others.

diction, and this company may accept paid-up stock in any such other company in payment therefor; and any such other company, corporation or person, so acquiring such privileges from this company, may exercise the same to the same extent and in the same manner as if exercised by this company.

Change of
name.

28. The name of this company is changed to the Standard Light and Power Company."

C A P. L X X I V .

An Act to incorporate "The Back River Power Company."

[Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the persons hereinafter named propose to form an incorporated company called "The Back River Power Company," with power to purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire real and personal property, and any rights, privileges, water-powers and easements which may be necessary for the purposes of its business; to establish, maintain and improve works, dams, piers and channels for the purpose of creating and developing water-power upon the Back River, in the district of Montreal, and also all works necessary to transmit and distribute such power, and the same to lease, alienate and otherwise dispose of; to carry on the business of supplying heat, light and motive power by electricity or otherwise for all purposes; to lease or sell water-power to individuals or corporations; and to carry on the business of milling or manufacturing and such other business as may be deemed expedient to utilize such water-power, and have petitioned for an act of incorporation, and 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:

Certain persons incorporated.

I. John Thomson Wilson, merchant; James Robert Walker, merchant; Gilman Cheney, gentleman; Evan Fisher Ames, manufacturer, and Frederick Minden Cole, insurance agent, all of the city and district of Montreal, and all other persons who may hereafter become shareholders, shall be and are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name of "The Back River Power Company," hereinafter called "the company."

Name.