

## CAP. LII.

An Act to amend the act 52 Victoria, chapter 80, incorporating the city of Sorel.

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

**W**HEREAS the corporation of the city of Sorel has, by Preamble. its petition, prayed for certain amendments to its act of incorporation, 52 Victoria, chapter 80; and whereas it is expedient to accede to such prayer;

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

**1.** Paragraph 13 of article 3 of the act 52 Victoria, 52 Vic., c. chapter 80, is amended by striking out all the words in the 80, art. 3, § 13, said paragraph after the word : " corporation, " in the fifth amended ; line, and inserting in their place the words : " forming part of its revenue."

**2.** Paragraph 3 of article 21 of the said act is amended Id., art. 21, by striking out in the last line thereof the words " for the § 3, amended. use of the city."

**3.** Paragraph 4 of article 125 of the said act is replaced Id., art. 125, by the following : § 4, replaced.

" 4. He must have paid all municipal dues, both in his own name and in that of his wife, on or before the fifteenth of December preceding an election or previous to his giving his vote, and" Payment of dues before certain date.

**4.** Paragraph 1 of article 227 of the said act is replaced Id., art. 227, by the following : § 1, replaced.

" **227.** The deputy-presiding officer, on reading and counting the ballot papers, shall reject." Deputy on counting ballot papers to reject.

**5.** Paragraph 1 of article 229 of the said act is replaced Id., art. 229, by the following : § 1, replaced.

" **229.** The deputy-presiding officer shall take a note of any objection made by any candidate, his agent, or any elector present, to any ballot paper found in the ballot box, and shall decide any question raised by such objection." Note of objections to ballots. Decision thereof.

**6.** The second clause of article 300 of the said act is replaced Id., art. 300, by the following : replaced.

" It shall be certified over the signatures of the mayor and secretary-treasurer, for the information of the council, whether the majority of the electors in number, and in value Certificate as to majority.

Decision of majority in value to predominate. of the taxable real estate, approve or disapprove of such by-law; the decision of the majority in value of real estate shall predominate if such value exceed by one third that of the opposite vote."

Id., arts. 545 and 546, replaced.

7. Articles 545 and 546 of the said act are hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :

Warrant of distress to issue in default of payment of assessments after special notice.

" 545. If any person shall neglect to pay the assessments, taxes or other municipal dues imposed upon him, for the space of fifteen days after the above mentioned special notice, the secretary-treasurer shall levy the amount with costs, under a warrant signed by the mayor, the pro-mayor, or two aldermen, authorizing the seizure and sale of the moveables and effects of the person obliged to pay the same, or of the moveables and effects in his possession, wherever such moveables and effects shall be found within the limits of the city.

Warrant to whom addressed and how executed.

The warrant shall be addressed to a sworn bailiff of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, in the district of Richelieu, or to any of the police constables of the said city of Sorel, who is hereby authorized to seize and sell the said moveables and effects in the customary manner."

Id., art. 549, amended.

8. Article 549 of the said act is amended by adding, at the end of the said article, the following words :

Procedure to be summary. Taxation of cost.

" The procedure on such petition is summary and assimilated to a Circuit Court case, the costs being taxed as in a case according to the amount for which the writ of seizure is taken."

Id., art. 563, amended.

9. Article 563 of the said act is amended by replacing in the second line the word: "February", by the word: "June."

Id., art. 564, § 1, amended.

10. The first clause of article 564 of the said act is amended by replacing in the fourth line the word: "March", by the word: "September."

Id., art. 587, replaced. Issue of debentures.

11. Article 587 of the said act is replaced by the following :

" 587. The council may always, upon a favorable report of the finance committee, make by-laws to authorize the issue of debentures or promissory notes, to pay floating debts, or meet engagements contracted in virtue of existing laws."

Id., art. 594, repealed.

12. Article 594 of the said act is repealed.

Id., art. 631, replaced.

13. The second clause of article 631 of the said act is replaced by the following :