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An Act to amend the act incorporating the "New City Gas Company of Montreal" and the various acts amending the same, to change the name of the Company and extend the powers thereof.

[Assented to 31st October, 1879.]

WHEREAS the "New City Gas Company of Montreal," have petitioned the legislature for amendments to their charter, for further powers and for changing their name, and whereas 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:

1. It shall and may be lawful for the said company to manufacture and sell gas for heating, cooking and illuminating purposes. Power to manufacture gas.

2. It shall and may be lawful for the said company, in substitution for gas or in connection therewith, or in addition thereto, to manufacture, use and sell electric, galvanic or other artificial light, for the purposes set forth in their act of incorporation and amending acts, and to manufacture, store and sell heat derived from other sources than coal-gas and also steam or other motive power, obtainable by means of any illuminating or heating agent used in the manufactures of the company. Power to substitute for gas other artificial light.

3. It shall and may be lawful for the said company, from time to time, to acquire by purchase or otherwise, any patent or other rights for the manufacture, production, use and sale of electric, galvanic or other artificial light or illuminant or gas for heating or cooking purposes, and to sell the said patent or other rights or any of them, if, in the opinion of the directors, unsuitable for the purpose of the company. Power to acquire patents.

4. For the purpose of manufacturing and of distributing said light or illuminant, other than gas, and of manufacturing and of distributing said gas for heating or cooking purposes, and said steam or other motive agent or power, the said company shall have and enjoy all the powers and privileges now held and enjoyed by said company, for the manufacture and distribution of gas for lighting purposes, and shall be subject to all the same Power of the heretofore corp., transferred to the new one.

duties that they are now subject to, so far as the said powers, privileges and duties, *mutatis mutandis*, are respectively applicable for the purposes of this act.

Power to
enlarge
buildings.

For the purpose of manufacturing and distributing such artificial light or illuminant other than gas, and such gas for heating or cooking purposes, and such steam or other motive agent or power as aforesaid, the said company shall have the power, from time to time to erect, alter, improve, enlarge, extend and renew or discontinue works, buildings, store-houses, including places for storing such gas, light, heat or motive power, motors, generators, poles and all other machinery and apparatus upon all lands now owned, leased or used by the said company, or hereafter to be owned, leased or used by the said company as authorized by its charter, and to lay down, set up, maintain, renew and remove in and upon and under the streets, squares and public places of the city of Montreal, and of the adjoining municipalities, all wires, tubes, pipes, poles and posts and all other apparatus to enable the said company to supply and distribute such gas or other light and steam or other motive agent or power.

Certain rights
and liabilities,
continued.

All the provisions made by the said act of incorporation and amending acts, for the protection of the gas to be manufactured and distributed by the company thereunder, and for the protection of the property of the company, and the penalties and liabilities imposed thereby, on any person or persons injuring the same or illegally using the same, shall apply to the gas and artificial light or illuminant and steam, or other motive agent or power as aforesaid, which the company are hereby authorized to manufacture, and to the machinery, wires, apparatus and property of the company required for the manufacture and distribution, and use by the company and its customers of such gas and artificial light or illuminant, steam or other motive agent or power as aforesaid. Provided that the rights and powers granted to the said company by this section, to make use of the streets and squares and public places of the city of Montreal and adjoining municipalities, so far as the same relate to steam or other motive agent or power, or to electric, galvanic or other artificial light or illuminant other than gas, shall not be exercised except under and subject to any agreements hereafter to be made between the company and the said municipalities respectively, or of any of them, and under and subject to any by-law or by-laws of the council or councils of the said municipalities, or of any of them, passed in pursuance thereof.

5. It shall be lawful for the said company, in addition to the powers granted by their act of incorporation, and the various acts amending the same, to manufacture make, buy, sell, lease and let for hire all electro-motors, generators, machines, apparatus, lamps, stoves and other things required for manufacturing, distributing and using the gas manufactured by them for lighting or heating or cooking purposes, and the electric, galvanic or other artificial light or illuminant manufactured by them, and said steam or motive power.

Power to
acquire elec-
tro-motors
&c ;

6. The said company on the one part, and any person or municipal or other public corporation or body on the other, may enter into and carry into effect contracts and agreements for one or more years, for and with respect to the supply to such corporation or body of said gas, electric light or other illuminant, and such steam or other motive power as aforesaid, and any fittings required therefor, and such corporation or body may apply their funds and rates for the purposes of this section.

To supply
gas, &c.

7. Section 4 of the act 36 Vict., chap. 61 is amended by striking out in the ninth line, the words: "nine and not more than thirteen," and substituting the following words: "seven and not more than nine."

S. 4 of 36 V.
c. 61,
amended.

8. Section 3 of the act 36 Vict. chap. 61 is amended by striking out the words: "on the first," and replacing them by the word: "some;" and after the words: "in each year," by adding the words: "as the directors shall appoint"

S. 3 of 36 V.
c. 61,
amended.

9. Section 25 of the act of the late province of Canada, 10 and 11 Vict., chap. 79, is amended by striking out the word: "fifty," and replacing it by the word: "seventy-five."

S. 25 of 10 &
11 V. c. 79,
amended.

10. The name of the company shall hereafter be: "The Montreal Gas Company," but the name of: "The New City Gas Company of Montreal," shall be used by no other company.

Name of the
corporation.

11. Before opening any street in the city of Montreal, the company shall send a notice to the city clerk, indicating the place where the opening is to be made except in cases of urgency.

Notice to the
city clerk
before open-
ing streets.

12. This act shall only come into force and effect on the first day of March, 1880.

Act in force.