

the legislature year by year, and in another column, the respective amounts required for any service in addition to such statutory appropriations, or otherwise, as the case may be, and for which a vote of the legislature is required, to authorize the expenditure of the same."

Certain balances of appropriations for education to be placed at interest.

2. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to deposit, at interest, any unexpended balance of appropriations made by the legislature, specially for Protestant educational or Roman Catholic educational purposes, and to give in the public accounts a statement of such amounts with the interest received thereon, which shall be subject to the control and direction of the lieutenant-governor in council before distribution thereof, and on receipt by the treasurer of such order in council, any payment ordered as above shall be paid and charged against such deposit.

How they may afterwards be paid.

CAP. VII.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, and to constitute a Council of Arts and Manufactures."

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

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

Board of arts, &c., abolished.

Sec. 101 to 122 of 32 V., c. 15, repealed.

1. The corporation heretofore existing and known in this province as "The Board of Arts and Manufactures," is hereby abolished, and the sections of the Act 32 Victoria, chap. 15, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," relating thereto, from the section 101 to the section 122, both inclusive, are hereby repealed.

Council of arts, &c., established. Its office.

2. The said Board of Arts and Manufactures hereby abolished shall be replaced by a Council of Arts and Manufactures, whose office it shall be to advise the commissioner of agriculture and public works, and the minister of public instruction, on all measures calculated to promote the progress of the arts and manufactures in this province.

Composition of council.

3. The Council of Arts and Manufactures shall be composed of seventeen members appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council; the commissioner of agriculture and public works, and the minister of public instruction, shall be *ex-officio* members of the council.

4. The members of the said council shall hold office during good pleasure, and shall be subject in the execution of their duties, to the orders and instructions transmitted to them from time to time by the lieutenant-governor. Duration of office of members.

5. They shall be a legal corporation under the name of "The council of arts and manufactures" with power to hold and possess immoveable property to the value of forty thousand dollars, over and above any which the said council shall make use of. Corporate name and powers.

6. All moneys in the possession of the said board of arts and manufactures remaining unexpended in the hands of their treasurer, or deposited to their credit, in any bank, or in the hands of any person whatsoever, shall belong to the council of arts and manufactures, shall be paid over to the treasurer of the province, and shall be by him deposited to the credit of the said council, which shall be entitled to dispose of the same for any of the purposes of its formation, after having first defrayed all the lawful debts of the said board, if any there are; and any officer of the said board, any bank, and any individual, having in his or their possession, any part of such moneys, and refusing to deliver up and pay over the same to the treasurer of the province, may be sued therefor in an action of account or otherwise in the name and for the benefit of the council of arts and manufactures, before any competent court, and be condemned to pay such part of the said moneys, and in addition thereto a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars for the benefit of the said council of arts and manufactures. Moneys of board to be paid to provincial treasurer and deposited to credit of council. Officers of board, or others withholding such moneys may be sued and incur a penalty.

7. All the claims of, and debts due to the said board, shall be the property of the council of arts and manufactures, and in default of payment, the said council may sue, before all competent courts, for the recovery of the same, all those by whom they are lawfully due. Debts due to the board may be recovered by council.

8. All books, maps, archives, models, articles belonging to museums, specimens and generally all the personal property and real estate of the said board shall, from the coming into force of this act, be the property of the council of arts and manufactures and the commissioner may take possession thereof in the name of the said council. Property of board to pass to council.

9. The commissioner of agriculture and public works shall call the first meeting of the said council by letter addressed at least five days before the meeting to each member, informing them of the place selected for the meeting, and shall preside at the said meeting until the election of the president by the council. Calling of first meeting.

Services of members to be gratuitous but their expenses to be paid. **10.** The services of the members of the council shall be gratuitous, and they shall be entitled to no compensation other than the expenses occasioned by their presence at any regular or special meeting of the said council.

Quorum. **11.** Seven members of the council, at any regular or special meeting, shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

Officers. **12.** The only officers of the council shall be a president, a vice-president and a secretary.

Election of president, vice-president and treasurer. **13.** The president and the vice-president and the secretary shall be elected at the first meeting of the council, by a majority of votes, and at each subsequent annual meeting; in the absence of the president and vice-president, the council may appoint a president *pro tempore*.

President not to vote unless there be a tie. **14.** The president or his substitute in the chair during any meeting of the council, shall not be entitled to vote, unless the votes are equally divided.

Duties of Secretary. **15.** It shall be the duty of the said secretary to draw up the minutes of each of the proceedings of the council, and to enter the same, one after the other, according to the date thereof, in a register to be kept for such purpose, to keep the accounts of the said council, to conduct the correspondence under the direction of the president of the council, and to keep a record of the same.

Expenses of council how paid. **16.** The contingent expenses of the council of arts and manufactures together with the expenditure occasioned by such meetings, shall be paid by order of the commissioner, out of the funds deposited to the credit of the said council.

By-laws to be adopted concerning regular meetings. **17.** The council, with the approval of the lieutenant-governor, shall adopt by-laws fixing the periods at which its regular meetings shall be held, and establishing the manner of proceeding thereat.

How special meetings may be called. **18.** The president or the commissioner may, whenever he deems it desirable, or at the request of three members, convene special meetings of the said council, by notifying the members, by letter to such effect addressed to each of them, at least five days before such meeting.

Vacancies how filled. **19.** In case of a vacancy occurring in any of the said offices in the course of the year, either by death or resignation, such vacancy may be filled up by the lieutenant-governor in council.

20. It shall be the duty of the said council of arts and manufactures : Duties of council.

1. To take measures with the approbation of the commissioner of agriculture, to collect and establish at Montreal and elsewhere, for the instruction of practical mechanics and manufacturers, museums of minerals and other materials, substances, and chemical compositions susceptible of being used in mechanical arts and manufactures, with model rooms appropriately stocked and supplied with models of works of art, implements, mechanisms and machines of any kind (except those adapted to facilitate agricultural operations,) and free libraries containing books of reference, plans and drawings, calculated to impart useful information in connection with mechanical arts and manufactures ; Establishment of museums, libraries, &c.

2. To take measures to obtain from other countries new or improved implements and machines, (not being implements of husbandry or machines specially adapted to facilitate agricultural operations,) and to test the quality, value and usefulness of such implements and machines ; Importing, &c., new implements, &c.

3. To co-operate with the council of agriculture at the provincial exhibitions ; and the officers of the council of arts and manufactures or such other members as may be appointed by the council for that purpose shall have the management and the responsibility of the mechanical and manufacturing portion of such exhibitions ; Co-operating at provincial exhibitions.

4. To adopt, with the approval of the lieutenant-governor in council, conjointly with the federal authorities, the necessary measures for the most advantageous display of the arts and manufactures of this province at all foreign exhibitions, or at all general exhibitions of the Dominion of Canada ; Assisting to represent the province at foreign and Dominion exhibitions.

5. And generally to adopt every means in its power to promote improvement in the mechanical arts and manufactures in this province. Improvement of mechanical arts, &c.

21. The said council, with the consent and approbation of the commissioner, may establish in connection with the museums, model-rooms, or libraries thereof, schools of design, furnished and supplied in the most complete and appropriate manner, that the funds at its disposal admit of, regard being had to the claims thereon of the objects for which it is established. Schools of design.

22. The said council may also found schools or colleges for mechanics, and employ competent persons to deliver lectures on subjects connected with the mechanical arts and sciences or with manufactures. Colleges for mechanics.

23. The said council shall keep records of its transactions, and shall from time to time publish, in such manner Records to be kept and re-

ports, &c., to
be published.

and form as to secure the widest circulation among the mechanics' institutes and mechanics, artisans and manufacturers generally, all such reports, essays, lectures and other literary compositions conveying useful information, as the said council may judge suitable for publication.

By-laws.

24. The said council of arts and manufactures may make and ordain such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not being contrary to this act, or the law of this province, as it deems necessary, touching the disposition and management of its funds, property and affairs, and the execution of the duties and powers intrusted to it by this act, and from time to time, may repeal or alter the same, and make others in their stead.

Copies of pro-
ceedings to be
sent to certain
functionaries.

25. Copies of all the proceedings of the said council, and of all the by-laws passed thereby, shall be, forthwith after their adoption, transmitted to the commissioner of agriculture, and also to the minister of public instruction, who shall continue to possess all the powers and duties, which are now, and which may hereafter be conferred upon him, by the act thirty-first Victoria, chapter ten, of the statutes of this province.

By-laws, &c.,
to be approved
by lieut.-gov.

26. All by-laws made by the council of arts and manufactures, all resolutions or measures adopted by the said council must be approved by the lieutenant-governor in council, before they can be carried into execution.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

§ 5 of sec. 36,
of 32 V., c. 15,
amended.

27. Sub-section five of the thirty-sixth section of the act thirty-second Victoria, chapter fifteen, is amended by inserting after the words "by devoting the same," in the fourth line, the words "to such method of agricultural instruction or."

§ 7 of said sec.,
amended.

28. The seventh sub-section of the said section is amended by inserting after the word "either," in the fourth line, the words "for each parish or."

Sec. 58 of said
act interpreted

No society
moneys beyond
\$25 to be spent
for entertain-
ments.

29. The fifty-eighth section of the said act, thirty-second Victoria, chapter fifteen, which enacts that the funds of agricultural societies derived from the subscriptions of members, and public grants, shall not be expended for any object inconsistent with the said act, shall be interpreted in such manner as to prohibit all expenditure of the funds of the said societies for refreshments, feasts, entertainments, or anything similar thereto, for any sum exceeding twenty-five dollars.

If such expenses are incurred, beyond the said sum of twenty-five dollars, they shall not be charged in their accounts, and the directors of such societies as shall have authorized them, either directly themselves, or by the agency of members of the said society, or of any other persons in their names, shall be personally responsible for all such expenditure, and shall be liable on the prosecution of any person who has incurred the cost of such refreshments, feasts, entertainments, or anything similar thereto, and who shall prove his demand by legal evidence, to be jointly and severally condemned to pay him the amount thereof.

Directors to be personally liable for any sum so spent over \$25.

And any society which shall permit such expenditure, beyond twenty-five dollars, to be charged in their accounts, and to be paid out of its funds, in any manner or form, or under any disguise whatever shall on proof of the fact made to the satisfaction of the commissioner of agriculture and public works be deprived of all or of part of the grant for such period as the commissioner shall determine.

And society may be deprived of its grant.

30. The sixty-sixth section of the said act is amended by striking out the words "at least five days" in the fourth line, and substituting the words "at least fifteen days."

Sec. 66 of 32 V., c. 15, amended.

CAP. VIII.

An Act to amend the laws respecting the management of the Crown Lands.

[Assented to 24th December, 1872.]

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

1. Section two of the act thirty-second Victoria, chapter eleven, intituled : " An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," is hereby repealed, and the following is substituted therefor :

Sec. 2 of 32 V., c. 11, replaced.

1. There shall continue to be an assistant-commissioner of crown lands, who shall be appointed, from time to time, as a vacancy occurs, by the lieutenant-governor in council ; —and he shall have the superintendence of the other officers, clerks, messengers or servants, and the general control of all the affairs of the department ; his orders shall be executed in the same way as those of the commissioner of crown lands himself, and his authority shall be deemed to be that of the head of the department, so that he can validly affix his signature, in his said quality, and thereby give force and authority to all acts, receipts, permits of

Assistant-commissioner.

His duties and powers.

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