

CAP. XLIX.

An act to amend act 22 Victoria, chapter 106, incorporating the town of St. John's.

[Assented to, 24th February, 1868.]

Preamble.

22 V. c. 106.

WHEREAS the town council of the town of St. John's, by a certain petition, have prayed for certain amendments to an act incorporating the said town of St. John's—(22 Victoria, chapter 106)—and whereas it is expedient to amend the said act :

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

Town divided into 4 wards.

1. The said town shall be divided into four wards to be designated and known respectively under the names of "east ward," "west ward," "centre ward" and "north ward" and they shall be bounded as follows :

East ward.

The east ward shall comprise all that space bounded to the east and to the south by the limits of the town, to the west by a line drawn through the middle of Busby street from the southern limits of the town to the middle of St. James street, and thence through the middle of said St. James street, and its continuation to the said eastern limits of the town.

West ward.

The west ward shall be bounded to the east by the east ward, to the south and west, by the limits of the town, and to the north by the middle of said St. James street from the said western limits to the middle of said Busby street.

Centre ward.

The centre ward shall be bounded to the south by the east and west wards, to the east and to the west by the limits of the town, and to the north, by a line drawn through the middle of St. Charles street, extending to the west and east as far as the limits of the town, and

North ward.

The north ward shall comprise all that part of the town which lies to the north of the central ward.

Present councillors to remain in office ; mayor to be elected as heretofore.

2. Each member of the council of the said town now in office, shall retain such office during all the term for which he was elected by virtue of the said act of incorporation, and the mayor of the town of St. John's shall be elected as heretofore.

Election for 1869.

3. At the first election of councillors, which shall take place after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, the four councillors going out of office shall be replaced by four persons, one of whom shall reside in each of the said wards so that each of the said wards shall be represented in the said council by a councillor residing within its limits.

Election for 1870.

4. At the election which shall take place after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy, the four councillors then going out of office, shall also be replaced by four persons, one of whom shall reside in each of the said wards.

5. Each following election, either the annual election, or any other election rendered necessary by a vacancy in the said council in the course of the year, shall be made in such a manner that each of the said wards shall always be represented in the said council by two councillors, residing in such said wards. Subsequent elections.

6. No person shall be eligible to represent a ward of the said town in the municipal council unless he shall have resided in the ward for which he shall be elected three months immediately preceding his election. Qualification

7. The payment of municipal and school taxes required by the said act of incorporation, as a necessary qualification of electors to vote at the election of the mayor and councillors, shall only confer the right to vote at an election to such persons, possessing the other qualifications who shall have paid said taxes before the first day of the month of January, preceding such said election. When payment must be made to entitle to vote.

8. The council shall have the power to increase the tax on dogs belonging to persons residing in the town, which tax is now a dollar, from this sum to another sum not to exceed two dollars per annum. Increased tax on dogs.

9. The demand of payment ordered by the thirty-seventh clause of the said act of incorporation, may be made at the business office of the person in arrears, or to the agent employed by the said person to manage the property on which taxes or assessments in arrear are due. Provided always that a delay of six months to be computed from the passing of this act, shall be allowed to any persons indebted to the said corporation to whom the said corporation shall have been unable to notify such demand of payment personally or at his usual place of dwelling. When and where payment may be demanded.

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An act to incorporate the "*St. Jean-Baptiste* Society of the Town of St. John's."

[Assented to, 24th February, 1868.]

WHEREAS an association under the name of the "*St. Jean-Baptiste* Society of the Town of St. John's" has existed for some time in the town of St. John's, having, for its object the aiding of its members in cases of sickness and the ensuring of like assistance to the widows and children of deceased members; and Preamble.

Whereas it is necessary for its good working and prosperity, that the said society may enjoy all rights, powers and privileges granted to incorporated societies, and whereas, by the petition of its members presented to the legislature of this province, the said association has prayed to be incorporated;