

works, to the person who has suffered the damage, all municipal taxes, fines or costs due by such person to the corporation or its officers, being previously deducted therefrom. In default of such moneys, it is payable by the corporation, saving its recourse against the persons bound to perform such works.

397. The road inspector may, without being authorized by the council, perform or cause to be performed, the works required on any municipal front road, by-road, side walk, or bridge, within the limits of his jurisdiction, which have not been performed in the manner or at the time prescribed by the persons bound to perform such works.

He may also furnish, or cause to be furnished, the materials which should have been furnished for such public works, and which have not been so furnished in the manner or at the time prescribed.

Nevertheless, the cost of the work performed and the materials furnished, in virtue of this article, must not exceed five dollars each year for each piece of land liable for such work, unless the road inspector has previously served on the persons liable for such municipal works, a special notice, either verbal or written, enjoining them to perform such work or to furnish the materials required, within a delay of four days, the whole without prejudice to the penalties or damages incurred by such persons, by reason of their default to execute such work or to furnish such materials in the manner and within the delay prescribed by the *procès-verbaux*, by the by-laws or by-law.

In every case, the road inspector who has performed work, or caused the same to be performed, or furnished materials, or caused the same to be furnished, under this article, must, as soon as possible, inform the persons in default thereof, by a special notice, containing a statement of the amount due for such works or materials.

398. The value of such works or materials, with twenty per cent in addition thereto, may be recovered by the inspector of roads, as a debt due to himself, together with costs against any person bound to perform such works or furnish such materials, in the manner prescribed for the recovery of penalties imposed by the provisions of this code.

399. If the road inspector does not comply with the provisions