

Council may acquire lands for certain purposes.

LVI. The said Council shall have full and unlimited power to purchase and acquire out of the revenues of the said Town, all such lots, lands and real property whatsoever within the said Town, as they shall deem necessary for the opening or enlargement of any street, public square or market-place, or for the erection of any public building, or generally for any object of public utility of whatsoever nature. 5

Arbitration in cases of disagreement as to the value of property taken for city purposes.

LVII. When the proprietor of a lot which the said Council shall be desirous of purchasing, for any object of public utility whatsoever, shall refuse to sell the same by private agreement, or in case such proprietor shall be absent from the Province, or in case such lot of land shall belong to infants, issue unborn, lunatics, idiots or *femes covert*, the said Council may apply to the Circuit Court of the District of Iberville, or to any other Court, for the appointment of an arbitrator by the said Court, to make, conjointly with the arbitrator appointed by the said Council, a valuation of such lot, with power to the said arbitrators, in case of a difference of opinion, to appoint a third; and when the said arbitrators shall have made their report to the said Council, at a regular meeting thereof, it shall be lawful for the said Council to acquire such lot on depositing the price at which it shall have been valued by the said arbitrators in the hands of the Prothonotary of the Superior Court in the District of Iberville for the use of the person entitled thereto; and if no person entitled to such indemnity shall appear within six months after such amount shall have been deposited in the hands of such Prothonotary, to claim the sum so deposited, it shall then be lawful for the said Prothonotary, and he is hereby required to remit such sum to the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Council, to be deposited by him with the moneys of the said Town, and such sum shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum; and both the capital and the interest accruing thereon shall be payable by the said Council to any person entitled to receive the same, within three months after a formal notification to the Mayor and the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Town, to pay the same. 10 15 20 25 30 35 40

Penalties for refusal to accept office.

LVIII. Every person who being elected or appointed to any of the offices mentioned in the following list shall refuse or neglect to accept such office, or to perform the duties of such office during any portion of the period for which he was so elected or appointed, shall incur the penalty mentioned in such list opposite the name or designation of such office, that is to say: 35 40

Mayor. The office of Mayor, thirty dollars currency;

Councillor. The office of Councillor, twenty dollars currency; 40

On valuers neglecting their duties.

2. Whenever the valuers neglect to make the valuation which they are required to make under this Act, or neglect to draw up, sign and deliver the valuation roll containing such valuation to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council within two months from the date of their appointment, every such valuator shall incur a penalty of two dollars currency for each day which shall elapse between the expiration of the said period of two months and the day upon which such valuation roll shall be so delivered, or upon which their successors in office shall be appointed; 45