

which the encumbered lands lie, by petition stating all claims against the lands, the assessed value thereof for each year of the previous five years, and showing by the affidavits of three disinterested freeholders the actual cash value thereof, and producing, before the said lesser council, the registrar's abstract of the title thereof, and may thereupon pray the said lesser council to have all the encumbrances thereon paid off out of the County Social Fund, or by money raised by mortgage thereon, under this Act, on the terms set forth in said petition; or that the petition may be dealt with in such other manner as the greater council may decide.

LXXX. If the said lesser council approve of the prayer of the petition, it may report favorably thereon to the greater council for its final decision. It may also state any terms it approves of, the amounts and times of repayment into the County Social Fund, said time not to exceed sixty years, the rate of interest to be paid, and any other terms it may see fit to recommend.

LXXXI. The greater council may investigate the matter, examine witnesses on oath and call for papers, and may either refuse or grant the prayer of the petition. In case of accepting the same, it may, if expedient, raise the amount required by a mortgage on the land, or it may direct the issue of debentures for the amount required and times agreed upon, pay off the debts of the petitioner, and register against the lands a certificate stating the amount, times of payment of the instalments, rate of interest and other essential items, and also that such lands and all occupants thereof are liable, during their respective occupations, to perform all the conditions of repayment, and all the rules and regulations of the Houses of Trades and Industries and Compulsory Labor, until the amount aforesaid and interest and other claims thereon shall have been fully repaid into the County Social Fund.

LXXXII. In case of any default in the payments, or observance of the terms and

conditions, or rules and regulations of the House or Houses aforesaid, the executive committee of the greater council may, with the approval of such council, take possession of said lands, and lease or sell the same, and, in case of leasing, it may compel the debtor or debtors so in default to enter the House of Trades and Industries, or House of Compulsory Labor, to assist in paying off the amount or balance due on said lands, and all expenses connected therewith, when, in case the lands have been leased he may again be let into possession thereof as a tenant or owner, in the discretion of the said committee.

LXXXIII. In case of any defect arising in the proper working of this Act, authority is hereby vested in the [Lieutenant] Governor in Council to make all necessary rules and orders to remedy such defects. The holding of the proper meetings for the appointment of the necessary officers and committees, and all other steps may be so directed to be taken and made.

#### THE DOMINION [PROVINCIAL] SOCIAL FUND.

LXXXIV. The Dominion [Provincial] Social Fund shall be voted by Parliament, and for such an amount as it may deem expedient.

#### THE COUNTY SOCIAL FUND.

LXXXV. The greater council of every county shall fix the amount of money that may be required for the current year's ordinary expenditure to maintain the Social Department of the County. Such amount shall be levied in the manner and at the time of levying the county rates for municipal purposes, and shall be paid to the county treasurer, who shall keep separate books of account thereof, and of all payments thereout.

LXXXVI. The Dominion [Provincial] Minister of Trades and Industries shall order the payment of all moneys out of the Dominion [Provincial] Social Fund, and make all necessary rules and regulations relative thereto, and the greater councils