

cities, towns, and villages to pass by-laws (sub-sec. 12) "for granting aid by way of bonus for the promotion of manufactures . . . either by gift or loan . . . as the municipality may deem expedient." And sec. 591a provides that "bonus" . . . shall mean and include . . . "(d) the closing up, or opening, widening, paving, or improving of any street . . . by a corporation for the particular use or benefit of a manufacturing industry."

By an amendment made to the Municipal Act in 1904, by 4 Edw. VII. ch. 22, sec. 26, the following was added to sec. 591a at the end thereof: "Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in section 591, the council of any municipality may pass by-laws for closing of any road, street . . . any portion thereof, and for conveying the same to any person for the particular use or benefit of any manufacturing industry, and it shall not be necessary to submit such by-law to the electors or to obtain their assent thereto where the passing of such by-law does not involve expense to such municipality; provided that the council passing such by-law shall comply with the general provisions of this Act as to notice, compensation to persons affected, and other matters with respect to by-laws for the closing up of any public road or highway."

All expenses in connection with the passing of the by-law were paid by the Massey-Harris Co., and the provisions of the Act in respect to notice, etc., were complied with.

The land through which Strachan avenue is laid out was originally Ordnance land. And in 1856 the Act 19 Vict. ch. 45 was passed, intituled "An Act for transferring to one of Her Majesty's Secretaries of State the powers and estates and property therein described now vested in the principal officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, and for vesting other parts of the Ordnance estates and property therein described in Her Majesty the Queen for the benefit, use, and purpose of the Province."

Two schedules are annexed to the Act, the first one being the schedule of military lands in Canada to be vested in one of Her Majesty's principal Secretaries of State; the second one being "the schedule of military properties in Canada proposed to be transferred to the Provincial Government." The property in Toronto transferred to the Provincial Government is 502 acres, 2 roods, and 1 perch: see R. S. C. ch. 24.