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CHAPTER 21.

An Act respecting the Raising of Loans authorized
by the Legislature.

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario,
enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as *The Provincial Loans Act*. 8 Short title.
Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 1.

2.—(1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may create a permanent provincial stock, which shall be known as "Ontario Government Stock," and shall be personal property, and the stock, and the interest thereon, shall be charged upon and paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Lieutenant-Governor in Council may create a permanent Provincial Stock.

(2) The stock shall be subject to such regulations as to the inscription, registration, transfer, management and redemption thereof as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make. Regulations as to stock.

(3) The stock shall not be redeemable in less than thirty years from the date of issue, but may be redeemed at or after that date, at the option of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, provided six months' previous notice has been given, and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at the time of issue of such stock fix the date at which it shall be redeemed. Stock not to be paid off for 30 years.

(4) The notice may be given by a registered letter addressed to the registered holder of the stock at his address as it appears in the Register. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 2. Notice of payment.

3. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make such regulations as he deems necessary for the management of the public debt and the payment of the interest thereon, and may, subject to the provisions of the next following section, provide for the creation and management of a sinking fund, or other means of securing the repayment of any loan raised by the authority of the Legislature; and may appoint one or more fiscal agents in London, England, or elsewhere, and agree with them as to the rate of compensation to be allowed them for negotiating loans, and for paying the interest of the debt, and may pay the sums necessary to provide the interest, the sinking fund, or other means aforesaid, and such compensation out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 3. Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations as to the debt and payment of interest. Fiscal agents, etc.

How loans, etc. authorized by Legislature, may be raised.

4.—(1) Where in any Act authority is given to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to raise, by way of loan, any sum of money, then, unless there is some provision to the contrary in the Act by which the authority is given, such sum shall, in the discretion of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, be raised in one of the following ways, or partly in one and partly in another or others thereof, that is to say,

By issue of debentures.

(a) By the issue and sale of debentures of Ontario, which shall be in such form, for such separate sums, and at such rate of interest not exceeding six per centum per annum, and the principal and interest whereof shall be made payable at such periods and places as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council deems expedient, and subject to such regulations, including regulations as to inscription, registration and transfer as he may make, and such principal and interest shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund;

By issue of Ontario Government stock.

(b) By the issue and sale of "Ontario Government Stock," bearing such rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, as is deemed expedient, payable half-yearly, and the principal and interest whereof shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund;

By grant of terminable annuities.

(c) By the granting of terminable annuities charged on and to be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, on terms in accordance with what the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may deem to be the most approved English tables, and based on a rate of interest not exceeding four per cent. per annum, and subject to such regulations as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make;

By issue of exchequer bills, or bonds, or treasury bills.

(d) By the issue and sale of exchequer bills, exchequer bonds or treasury bills, in sums of not less than four hundred dollars each, in such form and payable at such periods and places as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council deems expedient, and subject to such regulations as he may make, or by temporary loans; and the interest thereon and the amount of such bills or bonds shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Lieutenant-Governor in Council may provide a sinking fund, general or special.

(2) On authorizing the issue of debentures or stock, under clauses (a) or (b) of subsection 1, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may provide for a special sinking fund with respect to such issue, and may at any time provide for a general sinking fund for all such portions of the debentures or stock as have been or are hereafter issued without provision for a sinking fund with respect to them; provided that the amount to be invested out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund in any such sinking fund shall not exceed one-half of one per

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cent. per annum on the amount of the debentures or stock to which it relates.

(3) Any of such securities may be made payable in any currency. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 4. Securities payable in any currency.

5. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that the whole or any part of Ontario Government stock be inscribed and transferred in a register kept in the United Kingdom, or in any foreign country, at such place, and by such bank, officer or person as he may appoint. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 5. Register for inscribed stock of Ontario.

6.—(1) The Lieutenant-Governor may, under the Great Seal or in Council, authorize any person to make any declaration, and take any steps necessary to record such inscribed stock or any portion thereof under and in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Acts, known as the Colonial Stock Acts of 1877 to 1900, or any amendments thereof. Lieutenant-Governor in Council to have such stock recorded.

(2) The Treasurer of Ontario may, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, pay, satisfy and discharge any judgment, decree, rule or order of a Court in the United Kingdom, which, under the provisions of section 20 of *The Colonial Stock Act, 1877*, or any amendment thereto, is to be complied with by the Registrar of the inscribed stock of Ontario in England. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 6. Payment, etc., authorized.

7. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may change the form of any part of the debt of Ontario by substituting one class of the securities aforesaid for another, provided that neither the capital of the debt nor the annual charge for interest is thereby increased, except where a security bearing a lower rate of interest is substituted for one bearing a higher rate of interest, in which case only the amount of the capital may be increased by an amount not exceeding the difference between the then present value of the securities; but such substitution shall not be made unless the consent of the holder of the security for which another is substituted is obtained, or such security is previously purchased or redeemed by or on account of Ontario, and such substitution may be made by the sale of a security of one class and the purchase of that for which it is desired to substitute it. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 7. Lieutenant-Governor in Council may change the form of debt, and on what conditions.

8.—(1) The regulations made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council under this or any former Act shall, in so far as they are not inconsistent with the Act under which they are made, have the same force and effect as if embodied and enacted in an Act of this Legislature. Certain regulations made by Lieutenant-Governor in Council to have force of law.

(2) No officer or person employed in the inscription, registration, transfer, management or redemption of any of the aforesaid securities, or in payment of any dividend or interest thereon, shall be bound to see to the execution of any trust, Officers not bound to see to trusts.

expressed or implied, to which such securities are subject, or shall be liable in any way to any person for anything by him done in accordance with any such regulation. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 8.

Money raised to form part of Con. Rev. Fund.

9. All money raised by the issue and sale of any of the aforesaid securities shall be paid to the Treasurer, and shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 9.

Certain securities free from provincial taxes.

10. All money invested in Ontario Government stock, bonds or debentures and the interest thereon shall be free from all provincial taxes, succession duty, charges and impositions and shall also be exempt from municipal taxation. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 10.

Debt not to be increased except as herein provided.

11. Nothing in this Act shall authorize any increase of the public debt without the express authority of this Legislature, except in the manner and to the extent hereinbefore mentioned. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 11.

Securities heretofore issued protected.

12. Nothing in this Act shall impair or prejudicially affect the rights of the holder of any securities heretofore issued. 8 Edw. VII. c. 12, s. 12.
