



## CHAPTER 113

### An Act to amend the charter of The Women's Hospital of Montreal

*[Assented to, the 1st of April, 1927]*

**W**HEREAS The Women's Hospital of Montreal has, by its Preamble. petition, represented, that it was incorporated in 1870 by the act 34 Victoria, chapter 57, and that its charter was amended subsequently by the act 37 Victoria, chapter 41; that the powers granted to it have been found insufficient for its growing needs and proper management and that it has prayed that certain amendments be made to its charter, changing its name and granting to it additional powers;

And whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

**1.** The corporate name of the said hospital is hereby Change of changed to, and the said hospital and corporation shall be name. hereafter known as "The Woman's General Hospital".

**2.** Section 1 of the act 34 Victoria, chapter 57, is re- 34 Viet., c. 57, s. 1, re- placed by the following: placed.

**"1.** Jean Lukin Leprohon, M. D., William H. Hingston, Incorporation. M. D., John Summerfield Chapman, M. D., and such other persons as may be associated with them in conformity with this act, and their successors, are hereby constituted and created a body politic and corporate, by the name of "The Name. Woman's General Hospital" and may acquire, receive, hold, possess and use all immoveable property, and all money Property holding capacity. or moveable property which may have been or may be hereafter given, granted, purchased, appropriated, devised or bequeathed in any manner whatsoever for, to or in favour of the corporation, for the purposes for which the

said corporation is created, and upon such terms and conditions as are not inconsistent with the purposes hereof, provided the net annual revenue from the immoveables it may hold in the Province for revenue purposes only, not including the immoveables it already possesses or those that it may acquire in place of the latter, or with the proceeds of the same, shall not exceed three hundred thousand dollars.

Disposal of  
excess prop-  
erty.

In the event of the said corporation acquiring, by legacy, gift or otherwise, any immoveable property over and above what it is authorized to hold, such acquisition shall not be null on that account, but the said corporation shall be bound, within ten years from the coming into possession of the said property, to sell or alienate the same or any other of its properties so as not to exceed the amount above specified.

Additional  
powers.

The said corporation shall also have the power to sell and convey, let or lease the immoveable and moveable property belonging to it.

Idem.

The said corporation shall also have the power to borrow money for the purposes of the hospital and to issue bonds, debentures or debenture stock therefor, and to hypothecate, mortgage or pledge any property, moveable or immoveable, which it may own, to secure such loans, bonds, debentures, or debenture stock."

34 Vict., c.  
57, s. 2, re-  
placed.

**3.** Section 2 of the act 34 Victoria, chapter 57, as replaced by the act 37 Victoria, chapter 41, section 1, is again replaced by the following:

Board of  
governors.

**"2.** For the supervision of the general affairs of the said corporation, there shall be a board of governors, which shall be composed of not more than twelve governors, who shall be elected annually from amongst and by subscribers, who have subscribed and paid not less than ten dollars for the year current, at the time of election, by a vote to be taken in such manner, and at such time, as may be determined by the by-laws, which may be enacted by the said corporation for that purpose,—and also of life-governors who shall have subscribed and paid not less than one hundred dollars, and who shall thereafter continue to subscribe and pay annually not less than ten dollars."

Subscrip-  
tions.

34 Vict., c.  
57, s. 3, re-  
placed.

**4.** Section 3 of the act 34 Victoria, chapter 57, is replaced by the following:

Manage-  
ment and  
control.

**"3.** The immediate management and control and conduct of the said corporation shall be vested in a board which shall be called "The Medical Board" and be com-

posed of four physicians, namely: Herbert Lionel Reddy, William Burnett, Frederick Ernest Thompson and Abram Bercovitch and such other persons as they alone may name by a unanimous vote to act with them or to act as their successors, and the said board shall cause to be kept minutes of their proceedings and acts, and shall, from time to time, report to the board of governors as may be provided by by-law or regulation to that effect."

**5.** The said act 34 Victoria, chapter 57, is amended by inserting therein, after section 4, the following sections: 34 Viet., c. 57, ss. 4a, 4b, added.

"**4a.** The intents and purposes for which the said corporation is created are declared to be: Intents and purposes of corporation.

The admission and care of sick and injured persons, subject to such limitations and charges as may be hereafter determined upon and settled by the by-laws of the said corporation;

The admission and care of sick and injured persons as pauper patients, subject to such limitations and regulations as may be determined by the said by-laws;

The granting of relief to persons requiring the same by reason of accident;

The giving of medical advice and medicine and treatment to the poor, subject to such limitations and regulations as may be determined by the said by-laws;

The giving of instruction in medicine, surgery and nursing;

The establishment or acquisition and the carrying on of homes for incurables, and for aged and infirm persons, and sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis and other diseases, and convalescent homes and nurses' clubs and any other institutions of a similar nature.

The corporation however shall not exercise the powers conferred upon it by the preceding paragraph within the limits of a municipality without having previously obtained the consent of the said municipality, expressed by by-law.

"**4b.** Any physician or surgeon, authorized by the laws of the Province of Quebec to practise medicine or surgery, shall be permitted to send his patients to and treat them at the hospital belonging to this corporation, subject to the consent and control of The Medical Board, and under the general rules and regulations thereof, and of the hospital." Admission and treatment of patients.

**6.** The corporation shall transmit to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, annually in the month of January, and whenever thereunto required, a statement of the property and Annual statement transmitted to Lt.-Gov. in C.

erty held by the corporation, the names of its officers and a copy of its rules and by-laws.

Validation  
of certain  
bond issue.

**7.** The First Mortgage Twenty Year Serial Five and Half Percent Gold Bonds issued by the Hospital Corporation amounting to \$260,000.00, dated December 1st, 1926, authorized by resolutions dated December 7th, 1926, and January 5th, 1927, for the purpose of providing funds for the completion and equipment of the building to be owned and occupied by the said Hospital Corporation on Tupper Street in the City of Westmount, which bonds have been sold to *Le Crédit Anglo-Français Limité*, are hereby declared valid and binding obligations of the said Hospital Corporation for all legal purposes.

Coming into  
force.

**8.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.