

C H A P. 123

An Act to amend the charter of the Montreal Diocesan
Theological College and to extend its powers

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

WHEREAS the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, Preamble.
incorporated by the act 42-43 Victoria, chapter 72,
has, by its petition, represented that its usefulness would
be materially increased by extending its powers to training
men and women for missionary and other work, and to the
granting of Divinity degrees;

Whereas the degree conferring power has already been
granted to others: namely, in 1880, by 43-44 Victoria,
chapter 56, to the Presbyterian College, Montreal; in 1884,
by 47 Victoria, chapter 49, to the Congregational College
of British North America; in 1887, by 50 Victoria, chap-
ter 35, to the Wesleyan Theological College of Montreal;

Whereas upon an agreement between the Church of
England Universities and Colleges in Canada, the General
Synod has passed a Canon governing the examination for
degrees in divinity;

Whereas all the said Universities and Colleges except
the petitioners now possess the degree giving power; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant its prayer;

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

1. Section 1 of the act 42-43 Victoria, chapter 72, is re- 42-43 Vict.,
placed by the following: c. 72, s. 1, re-
placed.

"1. A body corporate and politic shall be and is hereby Incorporated,
constituted and established in the city of Montreal, under name
the name of the "Montreal Diocesan Theological College", and purpose.
for the education and training of young men for the min-
istry of the Church of England in Canada and for the
education and training of young men and women for mis-
sionary and other educational departments of Christian
service.

The said corporation shall consist of the Right Reverend Members.
the Lord Bishop of Montreal, for the time being, and his
successors in office, together with the present subscribers
to the institution, and such persons as may be admitted
under its constitution and by-laws hereafter to be enacted.

The said corporation shall have the power to confer Degree con-
degrees of Bachelor and Doctor of Divinity, including hon- ferring
orary degrees in divinity, titles of efficiency and certificates power.

Proviso. in divinity and religious education, provided that the granting of degrees in course shall be subject to Canon No. X of the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada as long as the said Canon is in force and observed by all the other theological colleges having power to grant degrees in theology therein mentioned.

Coming into force. **2.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

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An Act concerning the Natural History Society of Montreal

[Assented to, the 3rd of April, 1925]

Preamble. **W**HEREAS the Natural History Society of Montreal has, by its petition, represented that it was incorporated by act of the Parliament of Lower Canada, 2 William IV, chapter 65, which said charter of incorporation was subsequently amended by act of the Parliament of the late Province of Canada, 20 Victoria, chapter 118, and by act of the said Parliament of Canada, 25 Victoria, chapter 102, and by act of the Legislature of Quebec, 6 George V, chapter 95, for the purpose of promoting the study of natural history and general science and literature in the city and district of Montreal; that since its incorporation many other institutions, colleges, schools and seats of learning have been created and developed in the said city and district pursuing identical or similar lines of study and investigation, and have thereby rendered less necessary and useful the perpetuation of the petitioner as a separate society for the purposes mentioned; that in fact, of recent years, there has been a very serious falling off in the public interest in, patronage and support of said society, and in consequence its membership has been seriously reduced, that, therefore, said society for some years has been unable to raise sufficient monies to provide for its current necessities or for its maintenance and administration as a separate institution, and that it recently became involved in indebtedness for ordinary current expenses which it was unable to continue to meet; that said society has, however, been able to arrange with The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning (McGill University) that the said university will take over the property and assets of the said society, moveable and immoveable, real and personal, and that said university would assume and agree to pay and discharge the existing obligations of the said