

C H A P. 134

An Act to incorporate the African Methodist Episcopal Church

[Assented to, 8th of March, 1922]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Reverend Thomas Nelson, minister of the Gospel; S. M. de Shields, journeyman; Louis Watters, tailor; Joseph Duncan, porter; Joseph Parris, journeyman; Joseph Jefferson, barber; Adkins Ellison, tailor; Ross Roberts, artisan; all of the city of Montreal, have, by their petition represented that they wish to establish and incorporate themselves and their successors a body politic and corporate for the purpose of establishing and organizing churches, missions and other necessary adjuncts for the practice and observance of their religion in the Province of Quebec;

Whereas in the Province of Quebec, a number of adherents of the African Methodist Episcopal Church have established themselves in the district of Montreal in pursuit of lawful callings and are desirous of organizing themselves for the purposes above mentioned;

Whereas such incorporation would be a public benefaction and utility, being intended chiefly to minister to the coloured population of Montreal and it is expedient to grant their prayer;

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

Incorporation.

1. The persons above mentioned together with all others who may join them are hereby incorporated under the name of "The African Methodist Episcopal Church," for the following purposes, to wit:—

Name.

Objects.

a. To establish, organize and maintain churches and missions for the practice and observance of their religion and all the rights and ceremonies thereof;

b. To establish schools, colleges and parsonages in connection with the said churches;

c. To appoint or elect ministers of religion according to such rules as may be adopted in harmony with the practice and doctrine of The African Methodist Episcopal Church as observed and held where the said church is now established;

d. To keep registers of civil status according to the laws of this Province;

e. To purchase, hold, construct, alienate or hypothecate

immoveable property, for religious or educational purposes in connection with the said churches, the total annual revenue whereof shall not exceed ten thousand dollars.

2. The head office and corporate seat of the said church ^{Head office.} shall be in the city of Montreal.

3. The members of the church shall consist of the ^{Members.} persons named in the preamble of this act and all such persons as shall be duly admitted to membership in the said church according to the rules and discipline that shall be adopted or amended from time to time by a majority of the members of the said church duly convened by public notice from the pulpit of said church on two consecutive Sundays for a time and place to be indicated in such notice.

4. The corporation shall every year transmit to the ^{Detailed,} Lieutenant-Governor in Council a detailed statement of ^{statement,} its property, a copy of its rules and regulations and a ^{etc.} certified list of its officers and agents.

5. This act shall come into force on the day of its ^{Coming into} sanction. ^{force.}

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An Act to incorporate the Bassarabier Hebrew Sick Benefit Association of Montreal

[Assented to, 8th of March, 1922]

WHEREAS the persons hereinbelow mentioned have, ^{Preamble.} by their petition, represented that they are members of The Bassarabier Hebrew Sick Benefit Association of Montreal;

Whereas it is necessary for the proper working and prosperity of the Bassarabier Hebrew Sick Benefit Association of Montreal, that it be incorporated, in order that the corporation to be formed shall enjoy more extensive powers and better defined rights and privileges;

Whereas the petitioners are desirous of constituting themselves and others who may subsequently become members thereof a corporation for the purpose of assisting its members in case of sickness, accident, inability to work, reverses of fortune and death, and to grant assistance and aid and confer all other benefits upon the widowers, widows,