

the number of shareholders required by law, not more than twenty, the testamentary executors must hold all the shares, and not sell them except *en bloc* in the manner provided in the will for the sale of the factory.

3. The costs and fees incurred in connection with the passing of this act shall be paid by the estate of the said late Charles Théodore Viau.

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

C H A P. 152

An Act respecting the estate of the late McDuff Lamb

[Assented to, 14th of February, 1920]

WHEREAS Dame Martha Jane Wakefield, of the city of Montreal, widow of McDuff Lamb, in his lifetime of the same place, merchant, and the Montreal Trust Company, the executors and trustees of the last will and testament of the said McDuff Lamb, have by their petition represented:

That by his will dated 2nd May, 1905, executed before R. A. Dunton and colleague, notaries, the said McDuff Lamb gave and bequeathed the whole of his property and estate, real and personal, moveable and immoveable, to his wife, the said Martha Jane Wakefield and the Montreal Trust and Deposit Company, now the Montreal Trust Company, and its successors in office, in trust, to be disposed of in the manner and for the purposes more fully set forth in the said will;

That by the said will it was provided that the said Martha Jane Wakefield should have the free occupation, use and enjoyment of a residence in Montreal or an adjoining municipality of a rental value not to exceed six hundred dollars per annum, which his said trustees were authorized to pay from the revenues of the estate, also the free use, occupation and enjoyment of a summer residence at St. Margaret Station, P. Q., the said houses to be used by his wife as a home for herself and their unmarried children as long as they continued to reside with their mother;

That by his said will the testator desired that his wife should maintain a home for herself and their unmarried children, said desire being expressed in the said will in the following terms: "It is my desire that my said wife shall maintain a home for herself and my unmarried children

and shall have full freedom in administering the affairs of the home, being certain that she will conduct all such matters in much the same manner as have been done during my lifetime; and I direct that my trustees shall pay to my said wife out of the revenues of my estate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum by half-yearly or quarterly payments for maintaining said home, for her own maintenance, and the maintenance, education and care of our unmarried children until such children respectively attain the age of majority”;

That the house now occupied by the said Martha Jane Wakefield has been the family home for many years past, and is her own property; that on the purchase of said house she did give to her said husband McDuff Lamb an acknowledgement for the sum of fourteen thousand dollars which he paid on the purchase price of said property for her;

That she, the said Martha Jane Wakefield, is willing and desirous that the said property shall continue to be the residence of herself and family so long as it suits them, and that it be the residence which the said trustees are authorized to pay for, from the revenue of the estate, under the terms of the will;

That the said trustees are willing and agreeable to give her the free occupation, use and enjoyment of same as the residence in Montreal which they are called upon by said will to provide for her and the family;

That by the said will the testator provided that the residue or surplus of the annual revenues of his estate should be allowed to accumulate during the lifetime of his said wife, to be disposed of and divided as provided in the said will;

That, subject to the said usufruct of the said houses and the payment of the said sum of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum for the maintenance of his wife and children during the minority of the latter, the testator gave and bequeathed the ownership of the whole of his property, real and personal, moveable and immoveable, to the children issue of his marriage with his said wife, equally, share and share alike, desiring that the shares of capital accruing to said children should be paid to each child and that each child should enter into possession of his or her share of capital as follows: as to one-half, or approximately one-half subject to the discretion of his trustees, on attaining the age of twenty-one years, and as to the other half upon attaining the age of twenty-five years, which division or payment of shares should not include the said accumulated revenues, which should not be divided among his children

or paid over to them until the death of their mother, the said Martha Jane Wakefield;

That by the said will the testator directed that as each of his children attained the age of twenty-one years the said annual allowance or payment of twenty-five hundred dollars bequeathed to his wife for the maintenance of herself and their children should be reduced by four hundred dollars, that is to say, so soon as their first child should attain twenty-one years of age the said annual allowance payable to his said wife should thereafter be twenty-one hundred dollars, and upon his next child attaining the age of majority the said allowance should thereafter be reduced to seventeen hundred dollars, and so on;

That the said McDuff Lamb died on the 19th of September, 1919;

That when the said McDuff Lamb made his will fourteen years ago, his family consisted only of five young children, and his household and other expenses were comparatively low, but since then these expenses have been gradually growing larger and larger, which, however, the testator could well afford, as his property and the income derived therefrom had very considerably increased;

That the said McDuff Lamb by his marriage with his said wife Martha Jane Wakefield had issue seven children, Benjamin Wakefield Lamb, now deceased; McDuff Wakefield Lamb, now aged nineteen years; Audrey Wakefield Lamb, now aged eighteen years; Martha Wakefield Lamb, now aged sixteen years; Evelyn Wakefield Lamb, now aged fourteen years; Jean Wakefield Lamb, now aged twelve years, and Doris Wakefield Lamb, now aged ten years;

That the revenues from the said estate are considerable, and the annual allowance of twenty-five hundred dollars payable to the said Martha Jane Wakefield under the terms of the said will is wholly inadequate and disproportionate to the revenues of the said estate;

That the said annual allowance of twenty-five hundred dollars is altogether insufficient to maintain the home and pay for the maintenance of the said Martha Jane Wakefield and the maintenance, education and care of the said children, especially in view of the increased cost of living since said will was made;

That the revenues of the said estate permit of the annual allowance to the said Martha Jane Wakefield being increased;

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petitioners:

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of

the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Authoriza-
tion to pay
\$6000 per
annum.

1. The testamentary executors and trustees of the will of the late McDuff Lamb are hereby authorized, out of the revenues of the estate, so long as they be sufficient after payment of all expenses of administration so to do, to pay to the said Martha Jane Wakefield an annual allowance of six thousand dollars in lieu of the two thousand five hundred dollars specified in the will of the late McDuff Lamb executed before R. A. Dunton and colleague, notaries, on the second of May, 1905, until the eldest child, McDuff Wakefield Lamb, attains the age of twenty-one years, when the said annual allowance shall be reduced, and after the next child attains the age of majority the said allowance shall further be reduced, and so on, the whole according to the terms of the said will.

To pay
charges on
property.

The said trustees are hereby authorized to pay all charges on the said property (including the interest on said fourteen thousand dollars), now occupied by the said Martha Jane Wakefield, in order to give her the free occupation, use and enjoyment of the said property as a residence in Montreal as provided by said will, so long as she occupies the same.

Costs of
this act.

2. The costs and disbursements incurred in connection with the passing of this act shall be paid by the estate.

Coming
into force.

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

CHAP. 153

An Act respecting the estate of the late Louis Herménégilde Hébert

[Assented to, 14th of February, 1920]

Preamble.

WHEREAS Dame Elodie Gauthier, of the city and district of Montreal, widow of Louis Herménégilde Hébert, in his lifetime of the same place, wholesale merchant, both personally and in her capacity of tutrix to her minor child Magdeleine Hébert, has, by her petition, represented:

That, by his will dated the 31st of August, 1907, made at Montreal before Messrs. Henri P. Pépin and René Leroux, notaries, and by a codicil to the said will made before the same notaries at Montreal, on the 13th of