

C H A P. 142

An Act to incorporate The Congregation Beth Hamedrash Hagadol

[Assented to, 17th of March, 1919]

WHEREAS Isaac Kander, merchant, Saul Bierbrier, grocer, Simon Miller, merchant, Mendel Rashkin, merchant, Sam Pearson, merchant, Louis Cohen, shoe merchant, Morris Hotz, merchant, Simon Liebovitz, merchant, Rafel Denenberg, grocer, Abe Clementofsky, grocer; Louis Presner, restaurant-keeper, Rubin Morowitz, merchant, Jake Cohen, merchant, Harry Bassel, merchant; Jake Jacobs, merchant, Fischel Cohen, merchant; Abraham Bernstein, merchant, Ephraim Zabitsky, merchant, and Jacob Steinberg, merchant, all of Montreal, have by petition represented that they belong to the Jewish religion and are adherents thereof, and that for the purpose of divine worship according to the tenets of the Jewish religion, it is expedient and in the interest of the petitioners that they should be incorporated, in order that the corporation to be formed may in its own name acquire and possess property, moveable and immoveable, and do all acts that may be required for the purposes of its formation; and

Whereas 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:

1. Isaac Kander, merchant, Saul Bierbrier, grocer, Corporation
Simon Miller, merchant, Mendel Rashkin, merchant, Sam ^{created.}
Pearson, merchant, Louis Cohen, shoe merchant, Morris
Hotz, merchant, Simon Liebovitz, merchant, Rafel Denen-
berg, grocer, Abe Clementofsky, grocer, Louis Presner,
restaurant-keeper, Rubin Morowitz, merchant, Jake Cohen,
merchant, Harry Bassel, merchant, Jake Jacobs, merchant,
Fischel Cohen, merchant, Abraham Bernstein, merchant,
Ephraim Zabitsky, merchant, and Jacob Steinberg, mer-
chant, and all other persons who may become members, are
hereby constituted a corporation under the name of The
Congregation Beth Hamedrash Hagadol, with its principal
place of affairs in the city of Montreal.

2. All property, moveable and immoveable, which ^{To own}
may be held in trust by the said congregation, shall be and ^{property.}
the same is hereby transferred to and vested in the corpora-
tion, and the corporation shall have and exercise all rights

belonging to the congregation, and shall be subject to all the obligations contracted by it.

Rights to be exercised.

3. The corporation shall have and exercise all the rights belonging to ecclesiastical corporations, with the right to render mutual assistance to the members of such corporation.

Power to acquire, etc., immoveable property.

4. The corporation may have, hold and possess, and may acquire by purchase, gift, will or otherwise any immoveable property to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars, in or near the city of Montreal, or without the limits of the city of Montreal, that may be required for a synagogue or place of worship, or for a house for the residence of the rabbi or officiating minister, or, with the previous consent of the city of Montréal, for a cemetery or burial ground, outside or within the limits of the city of Montreal, or for any purpose of the corporation; and may at any time sell the said property or any part thereof and acquire other immoveable property in lieu of the same; provided always that the use of the said land for a cemetery shall be governed by the laws respecting cemeteries, subject to section 10 of this act.

Proviso.

By-laws.

5. The corporation is authorized to make by-laws for the regulation and government of the corporation, and to amend and repeal the whole or any part of such by-laws as may be expedient, provided always that none of such by-laws be inconsistent with this act or with the laws of the Province.

May keep registers of civil status.

6. The corporation shall keep, either in the French or English language, according to law, registers for acts of civil status, and may, from time to time, according to its laws, by-laws, usage and custom, appoint a rabbi or officiating minister, and may remove him or appoint another or others in his place; and the rabbi or officiating minister of the said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to keep registers for acts of civil status, and to exercise in relation thereto all other civil powers appertaining to ministers of religious congregations.

Alienation, etc., of property.

7. The corporation may at any time sell, lease, exchange, hypothecate, or alienate its property or any part thereof, and acquire other immoveable property in lieu thereof; and the said corporation shall have the power to draw, make, accept, and endorse bills of exchange, promissory notes, and other negotiable instruments, under the signa-

tures of its officers or others, as may be determined by its board of directors.

8. In the event of the corporation receiving by gift or Surplus will any immoveable property in excess of that which it is hereby authorized to possess, the said gift or legacy shall not on that account be void; but the said corporation shall be bound within three years from the date of its entering into peaceful possession of the gift or legacy, to sell and dispose of the said immoveable property, or part of it, or some other of its immoveable property, in such manner that the immoveable property of the corporation shall not exceed in municipal value the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

9. The corporation shall, whenever required so to do by the Provincial Secretary, transmit to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council a statement showing its moveable and immoveable property, the names of its officers and the situation of its principal place of affairs, and a certified copy of its rules and by-laws.

10. Nothing in this act shall have the effect of withdrawing the corporation from being governed by the provisions of the charter, by-laws and regulations of any municipality where the said corporation may exercise its powers, nor by the provisions of the Quebec Public Health Act.

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

CHAP. 143

An Act to amend the charter of the Canadian Club of Montreal

[Assented to, 4th of March, 1919]

WHEREAS the Canadian Club of Montreal has, by its petition, represented the following:

That by an act of the Quebec Legislature, 39 Victoria, chapter 75, as amended by the act 5 Edward VII, chapter 93, the maximum annual contribution of its life members was fixed at fifteen dollars;

That such contribution has become insufficient to provide for the club's needs;

That the members of the Canadian Club of Montreal wish to fix the amount of the annual contribution themselves;