

of the company, which are not inconsistent with this act, and may, among other things, enact from time to time what class of persons shall be admitted as members of the company; it may also amend, repeal and replace all such by-laws."

2. Section 8 of the act 3 Edward VII, chapter 96, Id., s. 8, is replaced by the following: replaced.

"**8.** Any person residing within the limits of the Prov- Who may be
ince may, on the conditions set forth in the company's members.
by-laws, become a member and form part of the company,
and insure with it on the principle of mutual insurance,
all moveable and immoveable property, buildings, structures, What may
shops, dependencies, goods, furniture, agricultural im- be insured
plements, merchandise, butter and cheese and stocks in by members.
trade, against loss or damage by fire or by lightning,
whether such damage or loss arises from accident or from
any other cause, except loss caused intentionally by the
insured, or by foreign invasion or by insurrection."

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

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An Act to amend the charter of *L'Union St. Joseph à St.
Roch de Québec.*

[Assented to 16th March, 1916]

WHEREAS *L'Union St. Joseph à St. Roch de Québec*, Preamble.
has, by its petition, represented:

That the number of its members has considerably increased since its incorporation by the act 44-45 Victoria, chapter 52;

That the said act does not specify that the society may accept as members any women wishing to belong to it;

That the said society believes that it would be in the interest of its members and of the public that women who wish to become members and to benefit by the aid and assistance it gives to families, should be admitted to the society;

That, to that end, it is necessary that the society obtain further powers to carry out such object;

And whereas it is expedient to grant the petitioner's prayer;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent

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

44-45 Viet.,
c. 52, s. 2,
replaced.
Corporate
powers.

1. Section 2 of the act 44-45 Victoria, chapter 52, is replaced by the following:

"2. The corporation may sue or be sued in any court of justice, enter into contracts and obligations, acquire and possess moveable or immoveable property by gratuitous or onerous title, by gift *inter vivos* or by will, without any restriction whatsoever, except that the annual value of the immoveable property which such society may possess, shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars; and such society may also alienate the immoveable property acquired or to be acquired by it."

Id., s. 5,
replaced.
Objects.

2. Section 5 of the said act is replaced by the following:

"5. The object of the said corporation is to form among the French-speaking Catholics of both sexes of St Roch de Quebec and neighborhood, a provident and mutual benefit society, for the purpose of providing its members, by means of the revenue derived from the property of the society and the contributions of its members, with assistance in case of illness or accident, and, in the event of death, of paying their funeral expenses and giving assistance to their heirs."

Id., s. 8,
replaced.
How share
to be pay-
able in
certain
cases.

3. Section 8 of the said act is replaced by the following:

"8. When a member dies without having disposed of his share *inter vivos* or by will, it shall be payable as follows:

1. One half to his widow and one half to his children;
2. In default of widow and children, to the father and mother, one half to each;
3. In default of the father and mother, to the brothers and sisters; and failing heirs of any of the above classes, it shall belong to the society.

Proviso.

But the benefits payable on the death of female members of the society shall form part of their succession, and, in default of disposition *inter vivos* or by will, shall devolve according to the rules and order of legal succession."

Coming into
force.

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