

late John Henry Wilson, the annual rent payable to him or her until the partition of the property of the said estate under the terms of the will of the said late John Henry Wilson and of the act 9 Edward VII, chapter 166;

And whereas the testamentary executors of the said late John Henry Wilson are of opinion that such increase of the annual rent under the circumstances would be reasonable, and they have no objection thereto, and consider themselves justified in consenting to the payment of such increase;

And whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer;

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

9 Ed. VII,
c. 166, s. 1,
replaced.

Increase of
annual rent.
authorized.

1. Section 1 of the act 9 Edward VII, chapter 166, is replaced by the following:

"1. The said testamentary executors of the said late J. H. Wilson are authorized to increase by one thousand dollars per annum, from the 1st of January 1915—provided that the revenues of the succession, after payment of all expenses of administration, are sufficient to make such payment—the annual rent payable to the children of the said late J. H. Wilson, until the partition of his property, under the terms of his said will, made before N. Pérodeau and colleague, notaries, on the twenty-fifth of January, 1900."

Costs to be
paid by
estate.

2. The costs in connection with this act shall be paid out of the property of the estate.

Coming into
force.

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

CHAP. 165

An Act to ratify and confirm the will of the late Narcisse Taillon

[Assented to 5th March, 1915]

Preamble.

WHEREAS François Taillon, senior, burgess, of St. Guillaume d'Upton, has, by his petition, represented: That Narcisse Taillon, in his lifetime burgess, of the village of St. Guillaume, in the district of Richelieu, died there on the 19th September, 1914;

That by his will made before Mr. L. D. Theod Vanasse

and two witnesses, on the 25th May, 1912, he bequeathed his property as follows: "to the children of the late Elise Taillon, in her lifetime wife of Jean Giguère, with the exception of Eléonore, her daughter, and her children, to the children of the late Nazaire Taillon, to the children of the late Joséphine Taillon, in her lifetime wife of Bruno Cauchon, to the children of the late Absolon Taillon, to the children of the late Joseph Taillon, to the children of the late Tharsile Taillon, in her lifetime wife of Joseph Gravel, and to François Taillon or his children if he should die before I do, my brothers and sisters, whom I constitute my universal legatees, all the moveable and immoveable property I may leave and which will compose my estate, to be divided in equal shares by roots, with representation if necessary, to enjoy and dispose of my said property as full owners thereof as hereinafter stated.";

That he appointed the said François Taillon (one of the universal legatees) his testamentary executor, and, in default of his acceptance, the testamentary executor was to be Mathias Cauchon, his nephew, to replace him with the same rights and powers, and in the event of the last named one being unable to replace the former, he appointed François Taillon, junior, another of his nephews, with the same rights and powers;

That one of the witnesses to the said will, François Taillon, junior, is the son of the said François Taillon, senior, one of the testamentary legatees and the testamentary executor firstly above mentioned;

That if the said testator had known that the presence of the said François Taillon, junior, as one of the witnesses, would have the effect of cancelling or nullifying the provisions of his will, in whole or in part, he would have required the presence of another witness;

That the said will really contains the last wishes of the said testator;

Whereas the notary who received the said will appeared before the Public Bills Committee and declared that the appearance of a witness to the will who was a relative of a legatee was solely the result of an error on his own part;

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer contained in the said petition;

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

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of article 846 of the Civil Code, the legacies bequeathed to François Taillon ^{Legacies de-}clared not to

be invalidated. by the will of the late Narcisse Taillon, in his lifetime burgess, of the village of St. Guillaume, made before Mr. L. D. Theod. Vanasse and witnesses, on the 25th May, 1912, under the number 2325 of his minutes, shall not be invalidated by the sole fact of the relationship between the witness, François Taillon, junior, and the legatee, François Taillon.

Not to affect pending cases. **2.** This act shall not affect pending cases as regards costs.

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

C H A P . 1 6 6

An Act to authorize the executors of the will of the late Joseph Bowles Learmont, to give "Quebec House" to the Dominion of Canada.

[Assented to 5th March, 1915]

Preamble.

WHEREAS Dame Charlotte Smithers, widow of the late Joseph Bowles Learmont, and the Royal Trust Company, have by their petition represented:

That they are sole executors under the last will and testament of the said late Joseph Bowles Learmont, in his lifetime of the city and district of Montreal, executed the 20th July, 1911, before Henry Fry and colleague, notaries;

That there is included in the estate of the said late Joseph Bowles Learmont a certain immoveable property known as "Quebec House" situate in the east end of the town of Westerham in the county of Kent in England, which was the birthplace and early home of Major-General James Wolfe;

That the said late Joseph Bowles Learmont, shortly before his death, offered to the Dominion of Canada the said property, being desirous that the said property should be utilized and maintained in perpetuity in memory of the late Major-General James Wolfe by the Canadian people, but died before any transfer of the said property had been made;

That such of the residuary legatees under the will of the said Joseph Bowles Learmont as are legally capable of giving their consent are desirous that the wishes of the deceased shall be carried out, and

Whereas it is desirable to remove any doubt that may