

4. The corporate seat of the corporation shall be in Montreal. Corporate seat.
5. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

C H A P. 105

An Act to incorporate the Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

WHEREAS Morton Lewis Sands, clergyman; Henry Bruno Maldeis, foreman; William Grace, painter; Emma Agnes Wigley, housekeeper; Benjamin Owen, electrical salesman; Colena Muriel Owen, housekeeper; Cora Adair, housekeeper; Melvin Solomon Groh, machinist and Brynle Owen, electrician, all of the city and district of Montreal, and Richard Perry, bank messenger, of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal, have by petition represented that there is in the Province of Quebec a considerable number of Protestant Christians who are members of and belong to the religious sect or society known as "the Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec," of which sect or society the petitioners are members, and have prayed that an act be passed to incorporate the members of such denomination now organized and possessing church buildings, or that may hereafter be organized, under the name of "the Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec," and to provide that the regularly ordained ministers of such denomination, having a fixed and a permanent organization as a congregation, or that become such, may keep registers of all such baptisms, marriages and burials as shall by such ministers be performed, and to enable the trustees of any church organization or congregation of such denomination to acquire and dispose of, to hypothecate and to administer generally any lands or church buildings to such congregation belonging for places of worship or as parsonages and to vest in said trustees any legacy or donation that may accrue to such church or congregation for church purposes solely, with power to administer the same; 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, enact as follows :

1. Morton Lewis Sands, clergyman; Henry Bruno Maldeis, foreman; William Grace, painter; Emma Agnes Wigley, house- Persons incorporated.

keeper; Benjamin Owen, electrical salesman; Colena Muriel Owen, housekeeper; Cora Adair, housekeeper; Melvin Solomon Groh, machinist, and Brylne Owen, electrician, all of the city and district of Montreal, and Richard Perry, bank messenger, of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal, and all other persons who now are or may hereafter become members of the said religious sect or society, are hereby incorporated and shall form a corporation or body corporate and politic in this Province under the name and style of "the Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec," for the practice of their worship with power to make such rules and regulations for the management of their affairs and of their society as may be necessary not being contrary to nor inconsistent with the laws of the Province.

Name.

In whom certain churches, &c., vested.

2. The church buildings, parsonage, cemetery and grounds of each congregation of the said Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec, having a permanent organization in charge of regularly ordained ministers of such denomination shall be vested in any such congregation, and the administration thereof in a board of trustees, chosen in accordance with the rules of such church, or of such congregation, as the case may be, and each such congregation shall be a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "the Brethren Church of the Province of Quebec at....."

Powers of congregation.

3. Every such congregation, under its corporate name, shall have perpetual succession and may acquire real or personal property by purchase, donation or otherwise, provided the annual revenue thereof shall not exceed two thousand dollars, and hold and enjoy the same for church purposes only, and may alienate the same; enter into contracts, transact, bind and oblige itself and others to itself, within the limits of its functions; hypothecate, let or lease its property as may be necessary for the purposes of the church only; sue and be sued in any cause and before any court of justice; and do, perform and execute all and every lawful act and thing useful and necessary for the purposes aforesaid, and for the administration of its corporate affairs in as full and ample a manner to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as any other body politic or corporate by law may do.

New congregations.

4. New congregations may be formed after the passing of this act and become entitled to all its provisions, and be a corporate body, under the name and designation aforesaid, with the same privileges, rights and restrictions as those hereinbefore mentioned, provided that it shall be organized in accordance with the general rules of the denomination, and that its minister be installed or inducted in the charge

thereof and a board of trustees elected or selected in conformity with the rules of such denomination.

5. The composition of the church as incorporated by section 1 of this act shall be made up of the respective congregations of the whole Province represented therein by their respective ministers and trustees in conformity with the rules and ordinances of the denomination now existing or which may hereafter be enacted; provided however, that any failure or neglect to organize the church for the whole Province as as before stated shall not have the effect of preventing any congregation established as a corporation under section 2 of this act, or to be established or formed under section 4 of this act, from having and maintaining its corporate existence under section 2 and following sections, with all powers given to each such congregation and corporation by this act and under all the restrictions thereof and of the law.

Composition
of church.

6. After the passing of this act, the aforesaid corporations formed under section 2 of this act, shall be vested with all the property, real and personal, of each of such corporations, each congregation for itself, and of all the rights accrued thereto, and shall enter upon and possess the same in full right.

Vesting of
certain pro-
perty.

7. The registers for the registration of baptisms, marriages and burials shall be kept by each church or congregation and by the ministers thereof in conformity with the laws of this Province relating to acts of civil status; and the regularly ordained minister of any congregation of said church, or of any Brethren Church or body under the laws of the Brethren denomination, shall be entitled to keep such registers; provided that such or any minister of said denomination, before receiving a register or registers of such acts of civil status shall furnish to the prothonotary of the Superior Court or any public officer authorized to furnish such registers by law, a certificate of his ordination as such minister, and of his call, installation or induction into the charge of minister of any such congregation, by taking the oath of allegiance before a judge or commissioner of the Superior Court in the district wherein such congregation has its existence, and producing and filing with the prothonotary of such court, or the officer authorized to issue and grant such registers, a certificate of the taking of such oath, and by complying with the laws of this Province relating to the keeping of such acts of civil status and the payment of the fees imposed by law.

Registers of
acts of civil
status &c.

8. The duplicate of the register kept by any minister for the exclusive use of the church or congregation shall be

Duplicate
of register.

regularly transmitted by him to his successor in office, and upon the extinction of any congregation from any cause whatever, the said register shall be vested in the prothonotary of the Superior Court, provided, however, that should such congregation be re-formed, such register shall be returned to the minister of such congregation by the said prothonotary.

Coming into
force.

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

CHAP. 106

An Act to authorize the Community of *Les Soeurs des Saints Noms de Jésus et Marie* to erect a certain building at Outremont.

[Assented to 21st December, 1912]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the community of *Les Sœurs des Saints Noms de Jésus et Marie*, a corporation legally constituted having its principal establishment in the city and district of Montreal, has by its petition represented:

That, in the year 1889, it acquired land in Outremont for the special purpose of erecting the mother-house and novitiate of the community and also a boarding school for the same at a future date;

That such decision was taken because the spot on which such buildings stand in Montreal has ceased to be suitable for them;

That the said community has held such lands at Outremont since then, has built a large boarding school on the same and long ago made known its intention of erecting a large building as a novitiate and another for the mother-house;

That the community is a teaching community which trains teachers for elementary and model schools and carries on works of public interest;

That the said land at Outremont, backed by Mount Royal, is on an elevated spot most suitable for the erection of its mother-house, novitiate and boarding school;

That, several months ago, the community informed the council of the town of Outremont that it proposed to shortly build a novitiate on the said land;

That plans were made and submitted to the council of the said town of Outremont, but the said town of Outremont refused to issue a permit for the erection of the said buildings on the pretext that, under a by-law recently passed by it, the erection of large buildings was forbidden in the locality in question and that cottages for private dwellings could alone be built there;