

CAP. XCVIII.*

An Act to permit the Honourable Louis Adolphe Billy to add the prefix "de" to his family name.

[Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

WHEREAS the Honourable Louis Adolphe Billy, judge of the Superior Court for the Province of Quebec, has, by his petition, represented that he is entitled, as well as the members of his family, to resume the prefix "de" to his family name, as borne by his ancestors in Canada, and as descendant of Jean François de Billy and Catherine Marguerite de Lamarche, for the purpose of making his family name agree with the name of the family of de Billy, now in Paris, with whom, on the twenty-fourth of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, he concluded a family compact, giving him a right to the name and arms of the said family in France, as being the said two branches of the house of de Billy, formerly descending from the same ancestor;

Whereas he has prayed for an act to be passed for that purpose, and it is expedient to grant his prayer;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. The said Louis Adolphe Billy shall hereafter be known and designated under the name of Louis Adolphe de Billy, and, under the latter name, he may claim, exercise and possess all advantages, benefits, rights and titles, which, without such change of name, he would have been entitled to claim, exercise or possess; and all contracts, agreements, or covenants made and passed by him, by and under the name of Louis Adolphe Billy, shall benefit and make him liable and be considered as having been made and passed by him, by and under the name of Louis Adolphe de Billy, and all legacies or gifts contained in wills made in his favor, under the name of Louis Adolphe Billy, shall benefit him in the same manner, as if the name of Louis Adolphe de Billy had been mentioned therein, and under such latter name, he may recover, hold and possess, and be called upon to inherit, any real or personal property and rights, of any nature or kind whatsoever which he may now have, hold or possess, or which he may hereafter inherit, or which he may recover, hold or possess, as fully and completely, as if the change of name had not been effected by this act.

2. Suits or legal proceedings, in law or in equity, commenced by or against the said Louis Adolphe de Billy,

Name changed.

Powers thereunder.

Suits, &c., not affected by change of name.

under his former name, shall not be affected, and no recourse by them shall be prevented, on account of such change of name, but they may be continued and have their effect, until judgment, execution, satisfaction and arrangement, as if the present act had not been passed.

Rights, &c.,
apply to
children, &c.

3. All the rights and privileges, of any nature whatsoever, now conferred upon the said Louis Adolphe de Billy, by the present act, or which may hereafter be acquired, shall apply to his children and legitimate descendants.

Coming into
force.

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

C A P. X C I X.

An Act to authorize James Ernest Thayer to add to his name that of Ross.

Assented to 27th February, 1893.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS James Ernest Thayer, of the city and district of Montreal, commercial traveller, has represented by his petition :

That for upwards of twenty-one years and prior to the first day of January last, to wit : when the petitioner was about four years of age, one J. B. Ross, of the said city of Montreal, secretary, did adopt the said petitioner as his son ;

That, from the date of such adoption down to the present time, said petitioner has assumed and called himself by the name of Ross, being the name of his said adopted father, and has, during all such time, been known to and called by others by the said name of Ross ;

That by reason of the premises, said petitioner is desirous to add to his name that of Ross ;

Whereas it is expedient to accede to the said petition ;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

J. E. Thayer
may add Ross
to his name.

1. The said James Ernest Thayer is authorized to add to his name that of Ross, and in future to bear the name of James Ernest Thayer-Ross.

Civil rights
that may be
exercised
under such
name.

2. Under the said name of James Ernest Thayer-Ross, the said James Ernest Thayer shall be authorized to exercise all civil rights, and more particularly :

1. To claim, exercise and possess all rights, benefits, titles and privileges which he would be entitled to claim, exercise and possess, independently of the change of name hereby authorized ;