

CAP. LXXXVII.

An Act to authorize "*La Société Bienveillante St. Roch*" to establish branches.

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

WHEREAS "*La Société Bienveillante St. Roch*," incorporated by the act 53 Victoria, chapter 92, for the purpose of supporting the widows, children, or heirs of deceased members, has, by its petition, prayed for certain amendments to the aforesaid act, for the purpose of facilitating the collection of monthly and other contributions, and in order to permit persons at a distance to take advantage of the benefits offered by the society, and whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer;

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

1. It shall be lawful for the head office of the said society to establish branches in the Province of Quebec, and wherever it may consider it to be in the interest of its members so to do whenever not less than ten male persons, in one locality, shall so request.

2. The head office shall alone have power to make the by-laws necessary for the working of the said branches. Such by-laws shall determine the number of officers required, and the powers of each, for each branch.

3. The branches and the members thereof shall have no power to amend or change the said statutes, rules, and by-laws, which shall govern the said branch establishments. The principal office of the said corporation shall alone have power to repeal, amend or modify them.

4. The branches shall be under the control of the head office, and shall render to it a detailed account of their operations, and of the moneys collected by them, and shall pay over the same to it, in whole or in part, in the manner provided by the by-laws, and whenever they shall be so required.

5. The members of the branches shall be subject to all the statutes, rules, and by-laws of the head office, in force at the time of their admission, and of all those which shall thereafter come into force.

Such members shall be entered upon the register of members in the head office, as well as in that of their respective branches.

Head office
vested
with all
property, &c. :

6. The head office is the sole proprietor of all moneys and other values in the possession of the branches. The latter cannot dispose of the same, either wholly or in part, without its authorization.

Decides as to
claims :

It is also solely authorized to judge of the validity of the claims presented against the branches by reason of a death or otherwise, and to pay them.

May sue for
recovery of
debts, &c.

It shall alone have the right to sue for and recover the amounts due to the branches ; and shall be the only one that may be sued, for claims against the said branches, at its place of business, at Quebec.

Closing of
branches, &c.

7. In the case of the closing of a branch, by mutual consent or suppression by the head office, through default of the number of members required, or otherwise, the archives, papers, books and valuables in its possession shall be transmitted to the head office, by the persons in charge thereof.

Transfer of
members.

The members, then forming part of that branch, may be transferred to another branch at their option.

Meaning of
"head office."

8. The words : " head office " mean the office of management intrusted with the management of the affairs of "*La Société Bienveillante St. Roch*," at its principal place of business, which is fixed by the act 53 Victoria, chapter 92, in the parish of St. Roch de Québec.

Coming into
force.

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

CAP. LXXXVIII.

An Act to repeal and replace the Act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, intituled : " An Act to incorporate "*L'Union St. Joseph de St. Hyacinthe*."

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS there is a society in the city of St. Hyacinthe, known and already incorporated by the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, under the name of "*L'Union St. Joseph de St. Hyacinthe* ;"

Whereas it is necessary, for the proper working and prosperity of this society, that it should enjoy more extensive and better defined rights and privileges ;

Whereas the members of the corporation have, by their petition to the Legislature of this Province, prayed that their act of incorporation, 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, be repealed and replaced by another ;