

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petition to the Legislature of this Province, prayed that their act of incorporation, 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, be repealed and replaced by another ;

Whereas it is expedient to grant their said prayer ;
Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. The act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, incorporating the ^{51-52 V., c. 62, repealed.} "*L'Union St. Joseph de St. Hyacinthe*," is repealed.

2. The corporation hereby organized is, for all lawful purposes, substituted for the one incorporated by the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 62, and succeeds to all its ^{Corporation substituted for that under 51-52 V., c. 62.} rights, privileges, powers and obligations.

3. All deeds, contracts or special agreements whatsoever, ^{Existing contracts, &c.} made and entered into, under the repealed act, shall continue to have force and effect.

OBJECT OF THE SOCIETY.

4. The object of the said society is to assist all such of its ^{Object of society.} members as shall become incapable of attending to their usual occupation, and to grant assistance and confer other benefits on the widows, children, heirs and assigns of its members.

5. The present members, and all who may hereafter become members, are and shall be a corporation under the name of "*L'Union St. Joseph de St. Hyacinthe*." ^{Members incorporated.} • Name.

POWERS AND ATTRIBUTES.

6. The corporation hereby constituted has perpetual succession, and may : ^{General powers.}

1. Appear either as plaintiff or defendant before any court of justice ; ^{May sue and be sued ;}

2. Acquire, possess, accept and receive under any title whatsoever, gratuitously or onerously, *inter vivos* or by will, any land, tenements, heritages and any immoveables situated in the Province of Quebec, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of four thousand dollars ; and rent, mortgage, sell, alienate and acquire others in their place ; ^{Acquire property, &c. ;}

3. Subscribe, draw, endorse, transfer, give promissory notes, bills of exchange, secured obligations and all effects, whether negotiable or not, in virtue of the powers, rights and attributes conferred on it by this act, and of the duties and obligations incumbent upon them. ^{Draw, &c., notes, &c.}

7. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed and administered by a central board of management, composed of such members as reside in the city of St. Hyacinthe, ^{Board of management.} where the office of the said corporation is now and shall continue to be. ^{Head office.}

BY-LAWS.

May pass by-laws for :
Admission, &c., of members ;
Regulating contributions, &c. ;

Determining right to aid ;

Branches ;

Imposing fines, &c. ;

Management.

8. The corporation may pass by-laws :

1. For the admission, discipline, conduct and expulsion of members ;

2. For regulating the amount of the ordinary or special contribution to be paid towards meeting the payment of the assistance and legitimate expenses of management ;

3. For determining the right to any promised assistance and under what conditions such assistance shall be paid ;

4. For establishing and managing branches ;

5. For imposing fines on those members who infringe the by-laws ;

6. For anything which concerns its management and the proper administration of its affairs.

ADMINISTRATION.

By-laws how made and amended, &c.

9. The by-laws of the corporation cannot be made, modified or repealed, except by three fourths of the members present at a general meeting convened for that purpose by a notice of at least one month.

Present by-laws.

The by-laws of the corporation, in force at the time of the coming into force of this act, shall remain in force until they shall have been regularly modified or repealed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Members as witnesses.

10. Any member of the corporation may be a witness for or against it.

No personal liability incurred.

11. Members of the said corporation shall in no way incur personal liability towards third parties, for the debts of the said corporation.

Withdrawal of members, &c.

12. Any member may, at any time, retire from the said corporation by complying with the by-laws in force at the time and by his paying what may be due by him to the corporation.

Books, &c., *primâ facie* proof.

13. The books, registers, printed by-laws, archives, or other documents or papers of the corporation, as well as copies or extracts thereof, (such copies or extracts certified by the officer in whose custody the originals are) shall bind all and every one of its members and shall be received as *primâ facie* proof of their contents, before any court of justice, and in all suits or civil proceedings.

Sums granted as aid not liable to seizure.

14. Any sum of money granted by the corporation in virtue of its statutes, as aid or assistance to its members or to their assigns, is not liable to seizure.

15. The regular monthly contributions levied upon the members and all revenue accruing from the same shall be applied only to the payment of the : Application of certain revenues to :

1. Assistance given to the members and their children, who have a right to such, in virtue of the provisions of this act and of the by-laws ; Assistance of members, &c. ;

2. Printing of the by-laws, semi-annual reports and forms. Printing by-laws ;

All other expenses shall be paid by special assessment levied, under a resolution passed in conformity with the by-laws by the Central Board of Management, either on all or on a certain number of members only. Payment of other expenses.

C A P. L X X X I X.

An Act to authorize the Mechanics' Institute of Montreal, to borrow an additional sum of money on mortgage, and to sell the immoveable property belonging to it.

[Assented to 24th June, 1892.]

WHEREAS the corporation of the Mechanics' Institute of Montreal, has, by its petition to the Legislature, represented that the said institute has greatly enlarged, improved and increased the value of its building on the lot of ground situate on St. James street, in the city of Montreal, hereinafter more fully described, and has incurred a very large expense in so doing, and it has been found expedient and necessary and in the interest of the said institute that power be given to the said institute to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars, over and above the amounts authorized to be borrowed under the act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 117, for the purpose of paying off the outstanding indebtedness of the said institute, and to hypothecate the said lot of ground and premises as security for the repayment of the said sum of money ; Preamble.

Whereas the said institute has also prayed for authority to sell and dispose of the immoveable property belonging to it ;

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 Mechanics' Institute of Montreal, to borrow a sum of ten thousand dollars, over and above the amounts authorized to be borrowed, mentioned in the said act 51-52 Victoria, chapter 117, for the purpose of paying off the outstanding indebtedness of the said institute, from such party or corporation as may be willing to lend the same, at such rate of interest and on such Power given to borrow certain additional sum ;