

Benefits to heirs of deceased members.

Authorization to members to dispose of benefits by will.

2. For allowing to the heirs of a deceased member the benefits determined by the said corporation when such member dies without leaving a widow ;

3. For authorizing the members of the said corporation to give or bequeath by will to whomsoever they may think proper the amount of the benefits to which their heirs would be entitled in the event of there being, at the time of their death, neither widow nor children ; for determining under what conditions such benefits may be given or bequeathed, and for determining to whom such benefits shall belong in the event of a member dying intestate.

Proviso in case of death of certain members.

"4b. When a member dies, leaving no widow but one or more children, the benefits which would have been given to the widow had there been one, shall, *de jure*, belong to the children ; nevertheless, the member shall have the right to give such benefits, by will, to one or such of his children as he may deem proper.

Acceptance of benefits not to be deemed acceptance of succession.

"4c. Neither the widow, nor the children nor the heirs of a deceased member shall be deemed to have accepted the succession of a member by the mere fact of receiving the amount of the benefits or other money coming to them through the death of such member."

Coming into force.

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

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An act to incorporate *L'Union St Joseph des Artisans du village de Mégantic.*

[Assented to 30th December, 1890.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS there has existed and still exists in the village of Mégantic an association known under the name of "*Société Union St. Joseph des Artisans du village de Mégantic*", whose object is to aid and secure those who form part thereof in case of illness and to secure certain assistance and benefits for the widows and orphans of deceased members, and which is of the nature of a mutual benefit and benevolent association ;

Whereas the members of such association have by petition, prayed to be incorporated, and 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 :

TITLE I.

ORGANIZATION OF THE CORPORATION.

1. J. G. Thibodeau, J. A. Fournier, Michel Roy, P. A. Millette, M. D., Jos. Roy, Nap. Lemieux, M. Couture, Cyrille Roy, Augustus Duquette, F. Sevigny, A. E. Bélanger, and such other persons as now are or may hereafter become members of the said association, are constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name of "*L'Union St. Joseph des Artisans du village de Mégantic.*" Certain persons incorporated. Name.

2. The head office and principal place of business of the company shall be in the village of Mégantic. Head office.

3. The rents, revenues and profits of the corporation shall be exclusively affected to and employed in assisting and supporting its members, in erecting and repairing buildings required for the purposes of the corporation, in paying the expenses of management, and for all other lawful objects for the same purpose. Application of rents, revenues, &c.

4. All moveable and immoveable property belonging to the association, or which may hereafter be acquired by the corporation by any title whatsoever, purchase, gift or otherwise, as well as all debts, rights and claims, are vested in the corporation hereby constituted, which shall be liable for all the debts and obligations of the said association, as well as for the debts of the corporation, to the exclusion of the members who shall in no manner be personally liable therefor. Certain property of association vested in corporation which becomes liable for debts, &c.

5. The rules and by-laws of the association, which are consistent with the provisions of this act, shall remain in force until amended, repealed or replaced in accordance with this act. Present rules, &c., of association continued in force.

6. The present officers of the association shall remain in office until replaced in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation. Present officers of association continued in office.

TITLE II.

POWERS AND ATTRIBUTIONS OF THE CORPORATION.

7. The corporation has perpetual succession and may : Power of corporation :
 1. Sue and be sued before any court ; To sue, &c. ;
 2. Contract, bind itself and, within the limits of its powers, exercise all rights, powers and privileges vested in corporations ; To contract, &c. ;

To acquire,
&c., property,
&c.

Amount
limited.

To establish
mutual aid
fund.

Power of ma-
jority to pass
by-laws, for
certain pro-
poses.

Fines may
also be im-
posed.

Further, may
adopt meas-
ure, &c., in
connection
with adminis-
tration.

Provide for
appointment
of attorneys,
&c.

Corporation
may sue for
subscriptions
and fines, &c.

3. Acquire and hold, accept and receive by purchase, gift, legacy, exchange or otherwise all moveable and immoveable property, situate within the Province of Quebec, to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars and lease, sell, hypothecate, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same or replace them by others;

4. Establish a mutual aid fund in favor of its sick members.

8. The majority of the members of the corporation present at a general meeting, convened and held in accordance with the by-laws, may adopt rules and by-laws with reference to the following objects:

1. The proper administration and internal government of the corporation;

2. The administration of its property and affairs;

3. The admission and expulsion of its members;

4. The election of its directors and officers;

5. The determining of monthly and other contributions to be paid by its members;

6. The amount of aid to be paid to sick members, to their widows, children or heirs, and the conditions on which the same may be granted and paid;

7. The election or appointment of directors and officers and their duties, powers, and obligations;

8. The sittings and meetings of the members and directors;

9. All objects, generally, within the scope of the powers of the corporation.

The said majority may, by by-law, impose fines not exceeding two dollars for every infringement

9. The said majority is further authorized to adopt any measure and execute any deed in connection with the administration of the corporation and the management of its affairs, regard being had to the rules, by-laws, acts or provisions in force.

10. It may also, by by-law, provide for the appointment of the attorneys, administrators, officers, delegates and servants necessary for the working of the corporation and the observance of its by-laws and allow them a suitable remuneration.

11. The corporation may, in its corporate name, sue before any competent court for the amount due to it for subscriptions, contributions and fines, as well as all moveable and immoveable rights and sums whatsoever.

TITLE III.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

13. No sum of money granted by the corporation, in Money granted as aid, not liable to seizure. virtue of its constitution or any of its by-laws, as aid or assistance to its members, or to the widows, orphans or heirs of a deceased member, shall be liable to seizure, either before or after judgment.

13. This provision does not apply to any sum due by the corporation to any of its members otherwise than as Not to apply to other sums due. aid or relief.

14. The corporation is bound to submit to the Legislature every year, within the first fifteen days of the session, a return showing the state of its affairs. Return to Legislature.

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

CAP. LXXII.

An Act to amend the act incorporating the "Quebec Ship Labourers' Benevolent Society."

[Assented to 30th December, 1890.]

WHEREAS, by an act passed in eighteen hundred and Preamble. sixty-two, a certain number of ship labourers were incorporated by the Parliament of the Province of Canada, under the name of the "Quebec Ship Labourers' Benevolent Association;"

Whereas the said incorporation was so granted to the said society solely for the purpose of mutual succour between its members, and the Parliament of Canada, in so granting the said incorporation, never intended to allow it, and never allowed it, to regulate the work of loading and discharging vessels;

Whereas, without in any way being authorized thereto by its charter, the said society undertook to make by-laws to regulate the loading and discharging of vessels, to fix the wages and remuneration to be paid to workmen engaged in the loading and discharging of vessels in the port of Quebec;

Whereas a great many of their by-laws are vexatious, infringe upon the freedom of labour in the port of Quebec and cause considerable damage to the port of Quebec;

Whereas it is consequently expedient to amend the said act incorporating the said society; Therefore, Her Majesty,