

17. The books, registers, by-laws and other documents belonging to the archives of the corporation, as well as copies of and extracts therefrom, certified to be exact by the secretary, are *prima facie* evidence of their contents. Books, etc., prima facie proof.

18. The corporation shall, each year, within the first twenty days of the session, transmit to the Legislature a report containing a general statement of its affairs. Return to Legislature.

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

C A P . L X X V I I .

An Act to incorporate the "Italian Mutual Benefit Society, of Montreal."

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

WHEREAS Alberto Dini, Giano Andrea, Giovanni Potizra, Janini Constantino, Solari Andrea, Rossi Guiseppa, Romari Angelo, Branini Egisto, Venditi Michelo and Carosino Giaromo, all traders, of Montreal, and other members of "the Italian Mutual Benefit Society of Montreal", have prayed to be incorporated under the said name, for the purpose of providing pecuniary and other assistance for the members of the said association and the widows or children of deceased members, 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: Preamble

1. The persons mentioned in the preamble of this act, and such others as may join them, are incorporated under the name of the "Italian Mutual Benefit Society of Montreal." Persons incorporated. Name.

2. The said corporation shall have perpetual succession; may sue and be sued before the courts of justice; contract and bind itself within the limits of its powers; receive, possess and acquire all moveable property, by gratuitous or onerous title, *inter vivos* or by will and the same to hypothecate or otherwise alienate; the value of such property shall not, however, exceed five thousand dollars. General powers. Value of property united.

3. The rents, revenues and profits of the corporation, shall be exclusively devoted to succouring its members and their widows, orphans and heirs, to the acquisition of immoveable property, to the construction and repair of Application of revenues, etc.

buildings, and to the payment of the expenses of management and other lawful purposes.

Power to make by-laws for certain purposes.

4. The corporation shall have power to adopt by-laws for each of the following objects :

1. For the administration of its property and its internal economy ;

2. For determining the conditions of admission of its members and the reasons for which they may be expelled, and for prescribing the method to be followed both for their admission and for their expulsion ;

3. For determining the general and special contributions payable by its members ;

4. For regulating the method of collection and recovery and determining the place of payment of such contribution and also of sums payable as aid, fines or otherwise.

Fines.

It may impose fines upon its members for contravention of its by-laws, no such fines however to exceed five dollars for each contravention.

Further power to make by-laws.

5. The corporation shall also have power to pass by-laws :

1. For determining the amount of pecuniary assistance to be paid its members when ill ;

2. For repealing or replacing all by-laws respecting the sums due to the widows or children of deceased members ;

3. For authorizing its members to transfer or bequeath by will to whomsoever they may think proper, the amount of aid to which they are entitled, in the event of their dying without leaving either widow or children ; and for determining in what cases such aid may be transferred or bequeathed and the conditions on which they may be so transferred or bequeathed.

Effect of receipt of allowance from society.

6. Neither the widow nor the children of a deceased member shall be deemed to have accepted the succession of such member from the mere fact of having received the amount of such aid or other sums coming to them in consequence of the decease of such member.

Members not personally liable for debts, etc., of society.

7. The members of the corporation do not incur any personal liability towards third parties through the acts or obligations of the corporation.

Members competent witnesses.

8. The members of the corporation are competent witnesses in all cases wherein the corporation is concerned, provided they be not otherwise incapable of being such witnesses.

Return if required by government.

9. The corporation, whenever required by the government of the Province of Quebec or any member thereof, shall make to it a return of its operations.

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

CAP. LXXXVIII.

An Act to consolidate the charter of *l'Union St-Joseph de Montréal* (19-20 Victoria, chapter 131), and the acts amending the same.

[Assented to 2nd April, 1890.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate the various acts affecting the corporation of *l'Union St-Joseph de Montréal*, founded for the purposes of mutual benefit and to grant more ample powers to such corporation; Preamble.

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

PRELIMINARY TITLE.

DECLARATORY AND TEMPORARY PROVISIONS.

1. The act of the late Province of Canada, 19-20 Victoria, chapter 131, incorporating the said "*l'Union St-Joseph de Montréal*," is repealed, as are also the acts amending the same, to wit: 28 Victoria, chapter 66; 50 Victoria, chapter 39, and all other acts respecting the said corporation; and the said acts are replaced by the present act. 19-20 V., c. 131; 28 V., c. 66; and 50 V., c. 39, repealed and replaced by this act.

Nevertheless, the act 33 Victoria, chapter 57 intituled: "An act to relieve the *Union St-Joseph of Montreal*," does not come under the operation of this article and remains in force. 33 V., c. 57 excepted and remains in force.

2. The corporation hereby incorporated is substituted to all intents and purposes, for that which existed under acts repealed by the preceding article and succeeds to it in all its rights, privileges, powers and obligations. Present corporation substituted to former one.

3. The rules, by-laws, ordinances, rolls, contracts, provisions, agreements or acts whatsoever passed, adopted consented to, or made, in virtue of the said acts repealed by article 1, shall continue to have full force and effect until set aside, amended, repealed, replaced or fulfilled. Present by-laws, etc., to remain in force.

The present officers of the corporation shall remain in office until replaced under this act and the by-laws. Present officers to remain in office.