

4. The corporation may administer their affairs by such Officers and their duties. and so many directors and other officers, and make such restrictions as touching their powers and duties, as by by-law they may from time to time ordain.

5. This act shall come into force on the day of the sanc- Act in force. tion thereof.

C A P. L X I I I.

An act to incorporate "The French Canadian Artisans' society of the city of Montreal."

[Assented to 28th December, 1876.]

WHEREAS the persons hereinafter mentioned have, Preamble by their petition, prayed that they be incorporated under the name of "The French Canadian Artisans' society of the city of Montreal;" whereas the said association is founded with a view of mutual aid and protection, and to assure to widows and heirs of all members of the said association or who shall hereafter become members thereof, pecuniary assistance, by means of contributions payable upon the death of such persons; and whereas it is just to grant the prayer of the said petition; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts follows:

1. Louis Archambault, Joseph Mercier, Pierre Giguère, Constituted corporation. Isidore Paquet, Toussaint Labelle, Edouard Grondin, Pierre Desautels, Léandre Lamontagne, Jean-Baptiste Bélanger, and such other persons as now are members of the said association, or who shall hereafter become members thereof under the provisions of the present act, shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of "The French Canadian Artisans' Name. society of the city of Montreal," and, under such name, may exercise all the general powers with which corporations are vested, due regard being had to the provisions of the present act, and may acquire, hold and possess all Powers. property movable and immovable, and may hypothecate, alienate, lease or otherwise dispose of the same in whole or in part, from time to time, and as occasion may require, and acquire others in the place thereof, provided that the said immovable property does not exceed in Limited value. value the sum of five thousand dollars per annum.

2. The majority of the members of the said society, at Rules, by-laws, &c. a general meeting, shall have full power and authority

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to make and enact rules, by-laws and regulations, not contrary to this act or to the laws in force in this province, as the said corporation may deem necessary in the interest and for the management of the affairs of the said society, and for the admission of members and their expulsion. Two thirds of the members of the said society may, at a general meeting, amend, change and modify the said by-laws as the necessities of the society may require, and such by-laws shall not have any force or effect until they shall have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Board of
directors.

3. The affairs of the said society shall be managed and administered by a board of directors, composed of ten members of the said society, and elected at a general meeting convened for that purpose.

Quorum.

Six shall form a quorum of the board.

Term of
office.

The directors shall remain in office during one year, except one half of them who shall be elected at the first general meeting, who shall remain in office for six months only: thereafter, every six months, at a general meeting of the said society; elections shall be held to replace such directors as shall have been one year in office.

Censors and
their duties.

4. At the general meeting, the members of the said society shall elect by ballot three members out of the board of directors, to exercise the office of censors. They shall remain in office for three years, and shall examine the accounts and enquire into the management of the affairs of the said society. They shall take part in the meetings of the board of directors, and have a right of discussion and may, from time to time, on a unanimous decision, call a general meeting of the members of the said society.

Place of
business.

5. The place of business of the said society shall be fixed at Montreal, and the central board shall be there established, and shall include within its supervision the judicial district of Montreal.

Branches.

On the decision of a two thirds vote of the members of the said society, at a general meeting, branches of the said society may be established, wherever in the province of Quebec the number of members shall require it, and their position, as to the internal management of their affairs and to the central board, shall be regulated by the decision of a general meeting by a majority of two thirds of the votes.

Suits.

6. The said society may sue and be sued before any court of justice, for the recovery of any sums of money that may hereafter be due to it or which it may owe.

7. The society shall have full power to regulate the conditions under which any person may become a member thereof or continue so to be, to fix the amount of aid to each of the members, in case of death, the place and time at which such aid shall be paid, and generally to pass all by-laws requisite to assure the proper working of the society, subject always to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, as provided by section 2 of this act. Regulations
&c.

Approval.

8. No sum of money, to which any of the heirs or legal representatives of a deceased member shall be entitled under this act and the by-laws of the said society, shall be liable to seizure either before or after judgment; provided, always, that nothing in the present section shall affect the right of any creditor regarding any sum due by the said corporation to any of its members, in consequence of any contract or undertaking concluded between the said corporation and such member. Moneys not
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Proviso.

9. Should the said corporation take part, as such, in any way, in a strike, or encourage the same, it shall forfeit all privileges resulting from the present act. Strike

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An act to consolidate the several acts incorporating "The mechanics' institute of Montreal," and amending the same, and to make further provision respecting the said corporation.

[Assented to 28th December, 1876.]

WHEREAS the mechanics' institute of Montreal, a body corporate and politic, constituted as such under and by virtue of the act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, Cap. 93, and intituled: "an act to incorporate the mechanics' institute of Montreal," which act was amended by the 23 Vict., Cap. 137, have, by their petition in that behalf, prayed that the said several acts should be consolidated, and that further power should be granted to the said corporation, and it is desirable to grant the prayer of the said petition; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows: Preamble.

1. The mechanics' institute of Montreal, and the several members thereof, together with such other persons as Corporation
continued.