

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
liable to
seizure.

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

C A P. L X I V .

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.

may hereafter become members of the same, shall be and remain a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of "the mechanics' institute of Montreal;" and by that name, shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall have power from time to time to alter, renew or change such common seal at their pleasure, and shall, by the same name and from time to time and at all times hereafter, have the right to hold, possess and enjoy, to them or their successors, any real estate and property as may now belong to the said corporation; and further it shall be lawful for the said corporation to have, take, receive, purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, to them and their successors, to and for the uses and purposes of the said corporation, any other messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments of what nature, kind or quality soever, situate and being within the province of Quebec, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars; and also to take, receive, purchase, acquire, have, hold and possess, to and for the same uses and purposes, any goods, chattels, gifts, benefactions or bequests; provided, always, that if such gifts or benefactions consist of real estate, their annual value together with property already held by the said corporation, shall not exceed the said annual value of twenty-five thousand dollars; such real estate or such proportion thereof as may be necessary to sell in order to keep within said limitation, shall be sold and disposed of for the benefit of said corporation within the period of one year after the corporation shall have become proprietor of the same; and provided always, that no will shall be valid and sufficient to pass any real or personal estate to the said corporation, unless such will shall have been executed by the testator three calendar months before his decease.

Suits. 2. The said corporation, by the same name, may sue and be sued in all Her Majesty's courts, and may answer and defend any suit in which said corporation may be impleaded, in the most full and ample manner.

Officers. 3. For the management of the affairs of the said corporation, there shall be elected, by the members of the said corporation and by a majority of votes of the members present, at any special or annual meeting thereof, the following officers:

General committee. A president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer, as also ten other members, who, with the officers hereinbefore named and the retiring president, shall constitute and form the general committee of the said corporation, the officers to be elected for a period of one year, the other ten members of committee to be elected

for two years, one half of the ten members to retire annually in rotation ; the five members who have the lowest number of votes at the first election under this act shall be the first to retire, and they, together with the retiring officers, shall be eligible for re-election ; the retiring president shall be *ex-officio* a member of the new general committee during his successor's term of office ; and at least two thirds of the said general committee shall be elected from among the operatives or retired mechanics or manufacturers then members of the said corporation ; provided, always, that it shall be competent for the said corporation, by a by-law to be passed for that purpose, to declare what number shall constitute a quorum of the said general committee for the execution of the powers vested in said committee ; provided always, that no member shall be eligible for election as an officer or a member of the general committee unless he has been a member of the corporation for at least two years immediately preceding the time of election and has fully paid up all his dues to said corporation.

Election.

Quorum.

Qualification.

4. The annual meeting, for the election of the said officers and members, to compose the said general committee of the said corporation, shall be held in conformity with any by-law that may be passed for that purpose ; provided, always, that whenever the day appointed by this act or by any by-law shall happen on a legal holiday, or in the event of any thing happening to prevent the said election from taking place, it shall be competent to the said corporation to enact, by any such by-law or amendment thereto, in what manner such election shall take place, and such election so made under the provisions of said by-law or amendment thereto shall avail to all intents and purposes, as if such by-law or amendment had been incorporated in this act.

Annual meeting.

5. In the event of any vacancy occurring in any office of the said corporation or among the members of any committee thereof, by death or otherwise, the said corporation, by a by-law to be passed for that purpose, shall provide for the filling of such vacancy, and the persons so appointed shall hold office for such time only as the persons whom they replace would have held office.

Vacancies.

6. The said corporation shall consist of an indefinite number of ordinary, annual, subscribing, corresponding and honorary members ; all of whom shall be chosen in conformity with such by-laws as may be passed by the said corporation ; the ordinary members being those who are now life members of the said corporation or who shall hereinafter become members thereof for life ; and who

Classification of members.

Ordinary members.

Subscribing
members.

shall pay and contribute to the funds of the said corporation, such a sum as may, from time to time, be enacted by any by-law of the corporation ; the annual subscribing members being those who shall pay and contribute to the funds of the said corporation, such annual subscription as may, from time to time, be enacted by any by-law ; the

Others.

corresponding and honorary members being entitled to all the privileges enjoyed by other members, except the right of voting and holding office.

By-laws,
regulations,
&c.

7. It shall be lawful for the said corporation by any by-law or by-laws, to enact in what manner and at what periods any annual, or general, or special meeting shall be convened, to provide for the admission of new members, the election and appointment of officers, and generally for the government and control of the officers and members of the said corporation ; to define what shall be the powers and duties of the several officers of the said corporation, and of the members of the general committee, likewise to declare what shall be the rights, privileges and liabilities of life members, and of all other members of said corporation, and under what circumstances they shall incur forfeiture of such rights and privileges, and be liable to exclusion from the said corporation or to any fine or penalty as hereinafter provided, and further to provide for the administration of the affairs of the said corporation in the most comprehensive form notwithstanding any special provision hereinbefore contained.

Date of annual meeting

8. Until otherwise provided for by by-law, the annual meeting for the election of the officers and general committee of the said corporation shall be held on the first Monday in December in each and every year, and the present officers and members of the committee, at the time this act comes into force, shall continue in office until the next annual meeting, to take place under this act or under any by-law passed regulating the time of such annual meeting.

Present officers.

Present by-laws.

9. The by-laws of the said corporation now in force shall continue to be the by-laws of the said corporation until the same are repealed or amended by any new by-law or by-laws, to be enacted by the said corporation by a majority of the two thirds of the members present.

Amendments.

10. All such by-laws as are now in force, and every by-law hereafter to be passed may be repealed, altered or amended by any subsequent by-law or by-laws, to be enacted by the said corporation or a majority of the members present, provided, always, that one month's notice of the proposed alteration or repeal be given.

Notice required.

11. All subscriptions and penalties, due or to become Moneys due. due to the said corporation, may be recovered by suit at law, instituted in the name of such corporation, but a member may withdraw from the association at any time after the payment of all money due by him to the said Resignation. corporation.

12. A copy of any by-law or by-laws, certified by the Copy, to president and secretary, under the seal of the said corporation, to be a true copy, shall be received as make proof. *prima facie* evidence of such by-law and the contents thereof in all Her Majesty's courts.

13. The several acts mentioned in the preamble of this Repeal. act are hereby repealed.

C A P. L X V.

An act to incorporate the Quebec joiners' union society.

[Assented to 28th December, 1876.]

WHEREAS the president and a certain number of the Preamble. members of the Quebec joiners' union, have by their petition, represented to the Legislature that such association has been constituted for the purpose of mutual assistance, in the case of illness or infirmity of any of its members, and of affording to the widows and children of deceased members certain allowances and indemnities; and whereas the members of the said association have, by their petition, prayed to be incorporated; 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. Honoré Lecomte, Michel Gauvreau, Charles Laperrière, Louis Etienne Marceau, Pierre Audy, Louis Pepin, Joseph Labrègue, Salem Lecomte, Pierre Careau, Alfred Ouellet, Joseph Desroches, Edouard Fréchette, Honoré Lecomte, Edouard Côté, Louis Laperrière, Elzéar Martel, Antoine DeVarennnes, Alphonse Bouchard, Napoléon Nadeau, Joseph Beaudoin, Joseph Corbin, Telesphore Routhier, and all other persons who are now, or may hereafter become members of the said association, under the provisions of the present act, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name Constituted corporation. of "The Quebec joiners' union," and under such name Name. may exercise each and every the general powers whereof