

4. Until others shall be elected according to the by-laws of the corporation, the present officers of the association shall be those of the corporation. Present officers to continue until replaced.

5. The said corporation shall be bound to make annual reports to the lieutenant-governor, and to both branches of the legislature, containing a general statement of the affairs of the corporation, which said reports shall be presented within the first twenty days of every session of the legislature. Annual reports to legislature.

## CAP. LIX.

### An Act to incorporate "The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association."

[Assented to 24th December, 1870.]

**W**HEREAS the persons hereinafter named, have, by petition, represented that for some years past, they and others have composed and maintained by voluntary contributions, a certain association in the city of Montreal known as "The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association," and that the objects of the said association would be better attained if the same be invested with corporate powers; and whereas it is expedient 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. T. James Claxton, H. A. Nelson, E. K. Greene, A. S. Wood, N. S. Whitney, W. Clendinning, Chas. Alexander, Thos. Craig, David Bentley, George Bishop, Alfred Sandham, George Young, Wm. Reid, J. Redpath Dougall, James C. Simpson, and such other persons who are now members of the said association, or shall hereafter unite with them under the provisions of this act and the by-laws made under authority thereof, and their successors, shall be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of "The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association," and may, by any legal title, acquire, hold and enjoy any estate whatever, real or personal; and may alienate, lease, or otherwise dispose of the same, or any part thereof, from time to time, and as occasion may require, and other estate, real or personal, may acquire instead thereof; provided that such real estate shall not exceed the annual value of ten thousand dollars beyond the requirements of the said corporation; provided always that the said corporation shall not sell or transfer any of the property of the said corporation at any time, without a vote of the members thereof being first taken and a majority of three- Certain persons incorporated. Power to acquire property. Proviso. Proviso.

fourths of the whole authorizing such sale or transfer, and for the taking of such vote, a meeting shall be called, notice of which meeting shall be given at least thirty days previous thereto, and no such sale or transfer, shall in any way affect the rights of the "Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society," Canada Sunday School Union and Religious Tract Society, as secured to them by this act and such sale and transfer shall be held to have been made subject to all such rights.

What the property shall consist of.

2. The property of the said corporation shall consist of the following: the present property of the association, the life, annual or other subscriptions of members, donations, bequests or legacies made to the corporation, and the moneys arising from fines and forfeitures lawfully imposed by their by-laws, all property and funds permanently invested and the revenues thereof, and all sums which may hereafter be received by the corporation for life subscriptions of members, or from legacies, bequests or donations, amounting to twenty dollars or upwards, not specially made for other purposes; and the capital over and above the sums required for the establishment and maintenance of the said association shall, from time to time, be invested in real or immovable property, city of Montreal consolidated fund, or in bank stock, and the rents, interests or other income arising from such investments, together with all moneys arising from other sources, shall be appropriated towards the objects of the said association, and the defraying of the expenses of the corporation.

Building may be erected.

The said corporation may, at any time hereafter, erect a building for the purposes of the said corporation, which said building shall be known as "The Montreal Young Men's Christian Association Building and Bible House."

Portion of building reserved for certain other societies.

There shall be apportioned and set aside, for the use of the "Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society," the Canada Sunday School Union and the religious Tract Society, in the said building so to be erected, a shop or store on the ground floor, with a cellar underneath, twenty feet wide within walls on the corner of Radegonde and Craig streets, and extending the whole depth, also a room in the said building, of suitable dimensions for a committee room for the said "Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, Canada Sunday School Union and Religious Tract Society, to be used in common as a union depository free from rent.

Building to be managed by a board of directors.

The management of the said building shall be vested in a board of directors of not less than fifteen in number and of which board of directors, the president for the time being of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, and of the Canada Sunday School Union, shall be *ex-officio* members. One-third of the said board shall retire annually, but shall be eligible for re-election, and none but active members of the said corporation shall be elected to said board. The first

board of directors shall consist of T. James Claxton, E. V. Mosely, Chas. Alexander, Henry Lyman, W. Clendinning, J. Torrance, G. Young, W. Reid, D. Morrice, L. Paton, N. S. Whitney, T. Craig, R. Irwin, H. A. Nelson, and E. K. Greene.

The constitution and objects of the said corporation of the Montreal Young Men's Christian Association shall, at a meeting to be convened for that purpose within twelve months from the passing of this act be determined, and shall be declared to be the basis upon which the said corporation is established, and such constitution shall be unalterable and shall be enacted by a by-law to be entered in a register kept for the purpose of recording the by-laws of the corporation, and copies of any by-law from such register, certified by the secretary of the said corporation, shall be *prima facie* evidence of their contents in all courts, and a copy from the said register of the by-law establishing the constitution aforesaid, certified by the secretary shall be deposited in the office of the prothonotary of the superior court at Montreal, and copies thereof certified by the said prothonotary, shall also be *prima facie* evidence of their contents in all courts.

Constitution to be framed.

Certified copies of by-laws to be *prima facie* evidence.

In the event of the said corporation becoming extinct, the said building shall become the property of "The Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society," and in the event of the said building being sold at the sheriffs' sale, such sale shall convey to the purchaser no other rights than those of the Montreal Young Men's Christian Association, and such sale shall be deemed made subject to all the rights, by this act vested in the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, Canada Sunday School Union and Religious Tract Society.

Cases of corporation becoming extinct or of the building being sold, provided for.

3. The affairs and business of the corporation shall be managed by such officers and committees, and under such restrictions, touching the powers and duties of such officers and committees as by by-laws in that behalf, the corporation may, from time to time, ordain; and the corporation may assign to any such officers such remuneration as they may deem necessary.

How affairs of corporation shall be managed,

4. The corporation may make such by-laws as they shall deem expedient for the administration and government of the corporation, and of such association or other charitable institutions as they shall maintain; and may repeal or amend the same, from time to time, save and except the by-law establishing its constitution, observing always however such formalities as by such by-laws may be prescribed to that end, and generally shall have all the corporate powers, necessary to the ends of this act, and may impose fines not exceeding five dollars for every infraction of a by-law.

Power to make certain by-laws

5. The by-laws of the said association, not being contrary Former by-

laws to continue until repealed.

Present officers continued until replaced.

Recovery of sums due--

Members may withdraw on payment, &c.

Members competent as witnesses.

Recovery of subscriptions with interest.

Annual returns to legislature.

to law, shall be the by-laws of the corporation hereby constituted, until they shall be repealed or altered as aforesaid.

6. Until others shall be elected according to the by-laws of the corporation, the present officers of the association shall be those of the corporation.

7. All subscriptions and all penalties due to the corporation under any by-law, may be recovered by suit in the name of the corporation; but any member may withdraw therefrom at any time, on payment of all accounts by him due to the corporation, inclusive of his subscription for the year then current.

8. No person otherwise competent to be a witness, in any suit or prosecution in which the corporation may be engaged shall be deemed to be incompetent to be such witness, by reason of his being or having been a member or officer of the corporation.

9. The said corporation shall have full powers to collect and enforce by suit at law or other legal process the payment of all subscriptions or instalments or subscriptions, with legal interest thereon, from the time said payments are demanded or may become due.

10. The corporation shall make annually to the legislature, a full return of their property, real and personal, and of their receipts and expenditure for such period, within the first twenty days of every session of the legislature.

## C A P . L X .

An Act to incorporate "l'Union St. Vallier de Québec."

[Assented to 24th December, 1870.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the president and a certain number of the members of *l'Union St. Vallier de Québec* have, by their petition, represented to the legislature that such association has been constituted with the view of affording mutual assistance to its members in the event of sickness or infirmity, and of furnishing certain allowances and relief to the widows and children of deceased members; and whereas the members of the said association have prayed to be incorporated, and it is expedient to grant their petition; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Québec, enacts as follows:

Certain persons incorporated.

1. Messrs. Ed. Lemieux, Joseph Planondon, Louis Gravel, Charles, Légaré, J. Richard, Léger Cantin, Charles Guay, Joseph Beaudoin, Louis Richard, O. Rochette, Prisque Cloutier, Ant. Parant, J.-Bte. Ginchereau, Joseph Blondeau, John Davidson, D. Guay and such other persons as now