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No. 56.]

BILL.

[1865.

An Act to incorporate "The Montreal Literary Club."

WHEREAS an Association for literary purposes, hath been formed Preamble.
 by the persons hereinafter mentioned, and a large number of other
 persons in the City of Montreal, in Lower Canada and elsewhere, under
 the name of "The Montreal Literary Club;" and whereas, certain of
 5 the persons composing such association have by their petition prayed
 that the said association may be incorporated, and it is expedient to
 grant their prayer; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and
 consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as
 follows:—

10 **1.** William Workman, George Murray, B.A., E. Billings, F.G.S., Certain persons incor-
 C. Smallwood, M.D., John Jenkins, D.D., and such other persons as porated.
 now are or hereafter shall become members of the said association, shall
 be and are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate in deed
 and in name, by the name of "The Montreal Literary Club," and by Corporate
 15 that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall name and
 have power from time to time, to alter, renew or change such common powers.
 seal at their pleasure; and shall by the same name from time to time
 and at all times hereafter, be able and capable to purchase, acquire,
 hold, possess, lease, occupy and enjoy, and to have, take and receive
 20 to them and their successors, to and for the actual occupation of the
 said corporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and real and
 immovable property and estate, situate, lying and being within the
 City of Montreal, and the same to sell, alienate, lease, sub-let and dis-
 25 pose of whensoever the said corporation shall deem it proper so to do;
 and by the same name shall and may be able and capable in law to sue,
 and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and answer and be answered
 unto, in all Courts of law whatsoever; and the constitution, rules and By-laws.
 regulations now in force, touching the admission and expulsion of mem-
 bers, and the management and conduct generally of its affairs, in so far
 30 as they may not be inconsistent with the laws of this Province, shall be
 the constitution, rules and regulations of the said corporation: Proviso.
 provided always, that the said corporation may from time to time alter,
 repeal and change such constitution, rules and regulations, in the man-
 35 ner provided by the constitution, rules and regulations of the said cor-
 poration.

2. All property and effects now owned or held in trust for the said Transfer of
 association are hereby vested in the said corporation, and shall be ap- property.
 plied solely to the maintenance of the said corporation.

3. No member of the said corporation shall be liable for the debts Limitation of
 40 thereof, beyond a sum which shall be equal to the amount of the original liability.
 entrance fee, and the annual subscriptions which may remain unpaid
 by such member; and any member of the said corporation not being in
 arrear may retire therefrom on giving notice to that effect in such form
 as may be required by the constitution thereof, and thereafter shall be
 45 wholly free from liability for any debt or engagement of the said cor-
 poration.