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BILL.

[No. 129.]

An Act to incorporate the members of the British
American Friendly Society of Canada.

WHEREAS an Association hath been formed in this Province, under ^{Preamble.} the name of "The British American Friendly Society," for the purpose of securing by voluntary subscription or contribution of the members thereof, funds for the mutual relief and maintenance of said members during "Old Age," "Sickness" and "Infirmity," or any other uatural state or contingency whereof the occurrence is susceptible of culations by way of average; and also a provision at death, and is likely to be attended with very beneficial results by promoting the happiness of individuals, and at the same time diminish the public burdens, and that by the contribution of the savings of many persons to one common fund the most effectual provisions may be made for the casualties affecting all the contributors, and that the benefits deriveable from such a society to the members thereof, would not only be secured by the incorporation of the members thereof, but be greatly enhanced, and have prayed to be so incorporated, and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petitioners, subject to the provisions and enactments hereinafter set forth and made in their behalf; Be it therefore enacted, &c., as follows:

Wolfred Nelson, Esq., M.D., Hon. Charles Wilson, George Brown, Esq.,
 20 James Harvey Phillips, Joseph Doutre, Esq., J. G. Bibaud, Esq., M.D., Ovide LeBlanc, Charles Laberge, Esq., of Montreal, Hon. Louis Massue, Joseph Cauchon, Esq., Vital Têtu, Aaron Locock Gravelley, Thomas Cary, Louis Prévost, Zephirin Nault, Esq., M.D., Oliver Robitaille, Esq., M.D., of Quebec, P. B. Dounoulin, A. Polette, Esq., of Three Rivers, Alexandre Dufresne,
 25 St. Athanase, F. R. Tranchmontagne of Berthier, M. E. Haller, Esq., M.D. of Sorel, L. L. L. Desaulniers, M. D., Yamachiche, James M. Dunn, Niagara, Conrad Nahrgang, New Hope, C. W., A. G. Smythe, London, Peter Winter, Esq., Percé, with all such other persons as now are or may be hereafter associated with them for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and
 30 their successors for ever, shall be one body politic and corporate, in deed and in name, by the name and style of the British American Friendly Society, and shall by that name have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall have power from time to time to alter, change, or renew such common seal at pleasure, and shall by the same name, from time to
 35 time, and at such times hereafter, be able and capable to have, receive, purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, to them and their successors aforesaid, to and for the uses of said Corporation, any messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments, of whatever nature, quality, or kind, situate and lying, and being within this province to an amount not exceed-
 40 ing the annual value of £5000, currency, and also to take, receive, purchase, acquire, have, hold, possess, to and for the same uses and purposes, any goods and chattels, gifts or benefactions whatsoever, and shall and may by the same name be able and capable to sue in Law and be sued, implead

Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name and powers.