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An Act to incorporate the Bank of London.

WHEREAS the Venerable Archdeacon Hellmuth, D.D., the Preamble. Honorable Elijah Leonard, M.L.C., Crowell Wilson, M.P.P., George Macbeth, Major Richard J. Evans, E. W. Hyman, J. B. Strathy, V. Cronyn, C. Stead, J. G. McIntosh, Richard Bayly, J. C. 5 Meredith, H. S. Strathy and others, have by their petition prayed that they and their legal representatives might be incorporated for the purpose of establishing a Bank in the City of London; and whereas it is desirable and just that the said persons, and others who see fit to associate themselves with them, should be incorporated for the said 10 purpose; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:-

1. The several persons hereinbefore named, and such other persons Certain peras may became shareholders in the Company to be by this Act created, porated. and their assigns shall be, and they are hereby created, constituted, 15 and declared to be a corporation, body corporate and politic, by the name of "The Bank of London," and shall continue such corporation, Corporate and shall have perpetual succession, and a corporate seal with power to name and alter and change the same at pleasure, and may sue and be sued, implead or be impleaded, in all Courts of Law as other corporations 20 may do, and shall have the power to acquire and hold real and immovable estate for the management of their business, not exceeding the yearly value of Ten thousand dollars, and may sell, alienate or exchange the same and acquire other instead.

- 2. The capital stock of the said Bank hereby incorporated shall be Capital stock 25 One million of dollars, divided into Twenty thousand shares, of fifty and number dollars each, which said shares shall be, and are hereby vested in the of shares. several persons who shall subscribe for the same, their heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 3. For the purpose of organizing the said Bank, and of raising the Opening 30 amount of the said capital stock, the persons hereinbefore mentioned stock books. shall be Provisional Directors thereof; and they or the majority of them may cause stock books to be opened, after giving due public notice; upon which stock books shall and may be received the signatures and subscriptions of such persons or parties as desire to become shareholders 35 in the said Bank; and such books shall be opened at London and elsewhere, at the discretion of the said Provisional Directors, and shall be kept open so long as they shall deem necessary; and so soon as Four hundred thousand dollars of the capital stock shall have been subscribed upon the said stock books, and One hundred thousand 40 dollars thereof actually-paid in thereupon, a public meeting shall be First meeting called of the subscribers thereof by notice published, at least two weeks of subscribers in two of the newspapers of the City of London, such meeting to be held at such times as such notice shall indicate, at which meeting each shareholder shall have one vote for every share by him held in the