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An Act to Incorporate the "Quebec and St. Francis Mining and Exploring Company."

THEREAS the several persons hereinafter named, have, by their Pe- Preamble. tition, represented that they have associated themselves together, with divers others, for the purpose of exploring for working Metals, Mines of Copper and other ores, and of smelting the same in this Province, and 5 possess a large quantity of land in the District of Quebec and have raised by subscription, the capital necessary effectually to begin their operations, but that they experience great difficulties in carrying out the objects for which they are associated, without

- an Act incorporating them with the powers hereinafter mentioned, and 10 have prayed that such an Act be passed: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
- 15 and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to reunite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that Andrew Stuart, Charles Frémont, Certain per-Lewis Sleeper, William Bignell, George Hall and Philip Peebles, and their sons incorpo-successors, and such and so many other persons or parties as have become rated as The 20 or shall become Shareholders in the Capital Stock hereinafter mentioned, Francis Min-
- shall be, and they are hereby constituted a Body Politic and Corporate, in ing and Ex-fact and in name, by the name of the "Quebec and St. Francis Mining and ploring Com-Exploring Company," and by that name shall and may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all Courts of

25 Law or Equity whatsoever, and shall have uninterrupted succession with a Common Scal, which may by them be changed or varied at their pleasure.

II. No Shareholder in the said Corporation shall be in any manner what- Shareholders soever, liable for or charged with the payment of any debt or demand due not liable be-by the said Corporation, beyond the amount of his, her or their subscribed mount of their 30 share or shares in the Capital Stock of the said Corporation.

III. The Capital Stock of the said Company shall be, and the same is Capital hereby declared to be, thirty-six thousand pounds, divided into thirty-six £36,000. thousand shares : Provided always, that the said Capital may be increased to seventy-two thousand pounds, as hereinafter provided.

- 35 IV. The calls to be hereafter made on the holders of the said Stock, Calls to be shall be paid by instalments, when and in such manner as shall be pre- paid by instal-ments. scribed by the Directors hereinafter named: Provided also, that nothing Proviso. herein contained shall exonerate, diminish or relieve any party from existing liability to the said Company, whether the said liability relates to con-
- 40 tributions due or to fall due upon the Stock already issued or otherwise, but on the contrary, all such liability and contributions shall and may be

Stock.