

An Act to incorporate the Montreal Library Society.

WHEREAS William Henry Hingston and Thomas Walter Jones, Preamble.
 Doctors of Medicine, John William Dawson, Doctor of Laws,
 and Thomas Cramp, Henry Thomas, William E. Phillips, William
 Nivin, Alfred Rimmer, John Leeming, John Greenshields, Wil-
 5 liam Henry, Allan Davies, Alexander Morris and James Ferrier the
 younger, Esquires, have by petition set forth, that there does not exist
 in the City of Montreal any Public Library at all commensurate with
 the literary, scientific and educational wants thereof; that in order to
 the formation and permanent maintenance of such Library, it is neces-
 10 sary that a Society should be incorporated to that end with all needful
 powers for the raising of capital and the acquisition and holding of
 real property and otherwise; and that they are desirous of being so
 incorporated, under the name of "The Montreal Library Society;"
 And whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer; Therefore Her
 15 Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. The said William Henry Hingston, Thomas Walter Jones, John The Petition-
 William Dawson, Thomas Cramp, Henry Thomas, William E. ers and others
 Phillips, William Nivin, Alfred Rimmer, John Leeming, John Green- incorporated.
 shields, William Henry, Allan Davies, Alexander Morris and James
 20 Ferrier the younger, and all other persons who may by virtue of this
 Act replace or be united with them, shall be and they are hereby con-
 stituted a body politic and corporate, under the name of "The Mon- Corporate
 treal Library Society," for the establishing and maintenance of a name and
 Public Library, in the said City of Montreal, and under the said name powers.
 25 shall have power to acquire for themselves and their successors, under
 any legal title whatever, such real estate as they may require for their
 actual occupation as such Library Society, and may sell and alienate
 any real estate held by them, and acquire other instead thereof for the
 purposes of this Act; and may acquire any other real estate or interest
 30 therein, by gift, devise or bequest if made at least six months before
 the death of the party making the same, and may hold such estate for
 a period of not more than three years, but the same or any part or
 portion thereof or interest therein which may not within the said
 period have been alienated, shall revert to the party from whom the
 35 same was acquired, his heirs or other representatives. Property for
 actual use.
 Proviso: as to
 real estate not
 required for
 actual use of
 the Corpora-
 tion.

II. The said Corporation shall have power to administer their affairs Administration
 by such and so many Directors and other officers, and under such of affairs
 restrictions as touching their powers and duties, as by By-law in that of Corpora-
 tion.
 40 any of such officers such remuneration as they may deem requisite.