

Registers shall be good and available in law.

IV. The registers which have been so kept, and the several entries therein, according to the laws of Lower Canada aforesaid, as well as authentic copies of such entries, shall to all intents and purposes, be good and available in law as if the said registers had been kept pursuant to any Act, Statute, or Law of or in Lower Canada previous hereto, in relation to registers of births, baptisms, or deaths. Provided always that all and every the regulations and requirements of Acts, Statutes, or Laws with respect to the registers therein mentioned, be also observed with respect to the registers to be kept pursuant to this Act. 5

Ministers to be governed by acts, &c.

V. The said Ministers shall in all respects comply with and be governed by the Acts, Statutes, and Laws in the keeping of the said registers, and shall in case of disobedience to the requirements thereof be liable to the penalties in like cases therein imposed, which penalties shall be recoverable, paid, applied, and accounted for in the same manner as the penalties imposed by them are therein directed to be paid, applied, and accounted for. 10 15

Congregation to be a body politic,

VI. The said Congregation, and their successors for the purposes of this Act, shall be a body politic and corporate under the name of *The German Evangelical Congregation of Montreal*, and shall and may acquire, receive, take, have, and hold to them and their successors and for the uses of the said Congregation, any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, and real and immoveable property lying within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of five hundred pounds currency, including therein the value of the real property occupied by the said Congregation for the purposes of their Church and Minister's House, and the same to sell, alienate, and dispose of and acquire others in their stead for the purposes above mentioned. 20 25

First meeting for organization.

VII. The said Corporation shall assemble for the first time, for the purpose of their organization, the Minister to preside at such meetings, within one month after this Act shall come into force, and shall then appoint eight Trustees, one of whom shall be by themselves appointed as President, and in each succeeding year thereafter, the annual meeting of the said Congregation shall be held; at which annual meeting the election of Trustees shall be had for the ensuing year; Provided always that By-laws, Rules, and Regulations for the government of the Congregation, shall, by the Trustees, within one month after their appointment, be framed and submitted for the approval of the Congregation, which shall not be thereafter altered and changed, except at the said annual meeting or at a special general meeting of the Corporation, which shall be called by the Trustees at their discretion, or at the requisition, and within ten days thereafter, of any five members of the said Corporation, or on refusal of the said Trustees, then within the same delay, at the requisition of the said five members. 30 35 40

Trustees to have administration of moveables and immoveables of corporation.

VIII. The said Trustees shall have the administration of the moveable and immoveable property of the said Corporation, and shall render a report of their administration at such annual meeting, with a detailed statement of the affairs of the Corporation, and shall make By-laws, Rules, and Regulations, for the good government of the Corporation, the same not being repugnant to this Act nor to the laws of the Province, and being moreover of no effect, except from and after the day on which the same shall have been approved at such annual or special general meeting. 45 50