

Notwithstanding such dissolution, Society may meet to make a division of their stock among their members.

Four fifths of the Society, not concurring in the division, application to be made to the Court of King's Bench.

Society to use all reasonable diligence in getting in or recovering their stock.

vernor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Executive Council, by Proclamation in the Quebec Gazette, to dissolve or determine such Society, and to annul and make void all the powers and authorities given to the said Society by this Act, (except as herein-after-mentioned), as to such Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the government of this Province and Council, shall seem meet. Provided nevertheless, that notwithstanding any such dissolution or determination so to be contained in any such Proclamation, it shall and may be lawful from and after any such Proclamation, to and for the said Society to avail themselves and make use of the powers and authorities by this Act given, for enforcing payment and delivery of all monies, effects and property whatsoever belonging to the said Society; and four-fifths parts of such Society, shall and may proceed to make such orders for the division or distribution of their Stock, Fund, Effects and Property, and every part thereof, to and amongst the several Members of the said Society, in such manner as shall be consistent with justice and equity, and shall and may distribute and divide the same accordingly: and in case four-fifths parts of the said Society shall not concur and agree in any order or orders for such division or distribution, as aforesaid, that then it shall and may be lawful, to or for any one or more of the party or parties so not concurring or agreeing on behalf of him or themselves and all the other Members of the said Society, who shall not so concur and agree, to present a Petition to His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the said District of Quebec, praying that such Court will make order for the division and distribution of the said Stock, Funds, Effects and property to and amongst the Members of the said Society, and the said Court in such case, is hereby authorized and empowered to order, declare and direct in what proportions and manner, such Stock, Funds, Effects and Property shall be distributed and divided, to and amongst the Members of the said Society, as to such Court shall seem just, and the said Court is hereby also empowered and authorized to enforce and compel obedience to any such last mentioned order, declaration or direction, by attachment, or *prise de corps*, as aforesaid. Provided also, that after such proclamation as aforesaid, the said Society shall use all due and reasonable diligence in getting in and recovering their said Stock, Funds, Effects and Property, and in their proceedings respecting the division and distribution of the same; and such Society shall not, after such Proclamation, as aforesaid, be competent or held or deemed to be competent under any powers or authorities by this Act given, to make any Rules, Orders or Regulations whatever, or to do any act, matter or thing, nor shall such Society be held or deemed to be an existing Society, save and except for the purposes of getting in or recovering their said Stock, Funds, Effects and Property, and the division and distribution thereof among their said Members as aforesaid.

Public Act.

XVII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be deemed a Public Act, and be judicially taken notice of as such, by all Judges, Justices and other persons whomsoever, without the same being specially pleaded.