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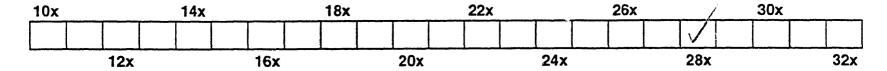
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3rd Session, 8th Parliament, 61 Victoria, 1898

BILL.

An Act to incorporate the Subsidiary High Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters, in the Dominion of Canada.

First reading, April 6th, 1898.

(PRIVATE BILL.)

Mr. LANDERKIN.

OTTAWA

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WHEREAS a petition has been presented praying that it be Preamble. enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House 5 of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:-

1. H. J. Snelgrove of the town of Cobourg, W. Baird of the Incorporatown of Galt, H. E. Griffiths of the city of Toronto, L. Secord tion. of the city of Brantford, W. Williams of the city of Toronto, S. II. Kent of the city of Hamilton, G. Dulmage of the city of

10 Belleville, H. J. Boyde of the city of London, W. G. Scott of the town of Mount Forest, E. F. Clarke, of the city of Toronto, C. B. Heyd, of the city of Brantford, W. Douglass of the town of Owen Sound, F. Abbott of the town of Meaford, H. Catley of the town of Mount Forest, Will J.

15 Vale of the city of Toronto, D. F. Macwatt of the town of Barrie, W. Mills of the town of Ingersoll, all in the province of Ontario; John Anderson, C. Chappell and James Wills, all of the city of Montreal, in the province Quebec; and Scott E. Morrill of the city of St. John in the province of New

20 Brunswick; members of the Subsidiary High Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters in the Dominion of Canada, together with such persons as are or become members of the said subsidiary high court, are hereby incorporated under the name of "The Subsidiary High Court of the Ancient Order of Corporate

25 Foresters in the Dominion of Canada," hereinafter called "the name. Society," for the following purposes and objects:-

(a.) To unite fraternally all persons entitled to membership Objects of don the laws of the Society, and the word "laws" shell Society. under the laws of the Society; and the word "laws" shall "Laws." include general laws and by-laws;

(b.) To give all moral and material aid in its power to its members, and those dependent upon them;

(c.) To educate its members socially, morally and intellectually;

(d.) To establish a fund for the relief of sick and distressed 35 members:

(e.) To establish a benefit fund, from which, on satisfactory evidence of the death of a member of the Society who has complied with all its lawful requirements, a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars shall be paid to the widow, orphans,

40 dependents, or other beneficiary whom the member has designated, or to the personal representative of the member as laid down in the said laws;

(f.) To secure for its members such other advantages as are, from time to time, designated by the laws of the Society.

Head office.

2. The head office of the Society shall be in the city of Toronto, but its location may be changed to any other place in Canada at any regular or at a special meeting called for that purpose, and the Society may open local branches throughout Canada.

Branches.

3. Subject to the laws of the Society, branches under the names of "subordinate courts," "subordinate circles," "subordinate conclaves" or "juvenile branches" may from time to 10 time be established, under the title designated in the charter granted by the Society constituting such branches; and the trustees of each branch already established, and to be hereafter established in Canada, shall be a body corporate and politic, subject to the laws of the Society; but no such branch shall 15 have power to establish benefit funds under paragraphs (d) and (e) of section 1 of this Act; and each of such branches shall be so incorporated under the corporate name of "The Declaration of Officers of (giving the title of the branch);" and, upon being established, and before proceeding to act as such corporation, 20 be registered, such branch shall cause to be registered at full length in the registry office of the city, county or registration division within which such branch is established, a declaration signed by the officers of such branch stating the fact of such establishment, the date of the instrument affecting it, the corporate name, and 25

formation of branches to

Power to hold

4. The value of the real property which the Society or any real property branch thereof may hold shall not exceed, in the case of the Society, one hundred thousand dollars, and in the case of any branch, ten thousand dollars, but in towns having less than 30 six thousand inhabitants the value of such real property shall not, in the case of any one branch, exceed five thousand dollars; and the Society may, by laws, determine the manner in which such real property shall be held and conveyed, subject always to the laws of the province in which such real estate is situate; 35 provided always, that no part of the benefit funds shall be used

the names in full of the officers thereof.

Liability of branches.

for such purpose.

5. The property of each branch only shall be liable for the debts and engagements of such branch.

Investment of funds.

6. The surplus funds of the Society shall be invested in 40 mortgages which are a first charge on lands held in fee simple in Canada, or in deposits with, or in registered debentures of, loan and investment companies incorporated in Canada, or in debentures of municipal or school corporations in Canada, or in securities of the Dominion of Canada or any province thereof, 45 or shall be deposited in a chartered bank in Canada.

When branch dissolved, certificate to be filed.

7. Whenever, under the laws of the Society, any branch becomes dissolved, or the Society at any time revokes the warrant or charter under which the branch is operating, whether such branch is incorporated or not, such dissolution 50 or revocation shall be certified in duplicate by the chief execu-

tive officer, and by the secretary of the Society under the seal thereof; one of the said duplicates shall be filed with the Superintendent of Insurance, and the other with the Secretary of State, and this certificate, from the filing thereof with the 5 Secretary of State, shall, ipso facto, operate to dissolve the said branch, and to vest its property, both real and personal, in the chief executive officer and the secretary of the Society and their successors in office as trustees for the creditors and persons beneficially entitled, and the surplus, if any, after the 10 liabilities are satisfied, shall vest in the registered Society to its own use absolutely. Provided, however, that in the case of Real estate to real estate it shall be sold within seven years after the dissolu- 7 years after tion of such branch.

- S. Within three months from the passing of this Act, a Constitution 15 certified copy of the present constitution and laws of the Society, be deposited. and its form of beneficiary certificate, shall be deposited with the Secretary of State, and another copy with the Superintendent of Insurance, and copies of any future changes or amendments thereto shall be so deposited within three months 20 from their adoption by the Society, and in default of compliance with any provision of this section the Society shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each day during which such default continues.
- 9. The Insurance Act, except section 43 thereof, shall not R.S.C., c. 124. 25 apply to the Society.