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WHEREAS the persons hereinafter named by their petition Preamble.
 have prayed that they may be incorporated for the purpose
 of establishing a Bank in the City of Toronto, and it is expedient
 to grant the prayer of the said petition; Therefore Her Majesty,
 5 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of
 Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. John Morrisou, R. Carrie, R. S. Williams, Adam Oliver, Certain persons incor-
porated.
 M. P. P., W. T. Mason, A. M. Smith, John J. Vickers, Joseph
 Davidson, John Fiske, Patrick Hughes and W. J. Macdonell, and
 10 such others as may become shareholders in the corporation hereby
 created, and their respective executors, administrators, and
 assigns, shall be, and they are hereby constituted and declared to be
 a corporation, body corporate and politic in fact, by and under the
 corporate name of the Western Bank of Canada, and as such shall
 15 have perpetual succession, and a common seal with power to
 break, change and alter the same at pleasure, and also with all
 other powers incident to and necessary for the purposes herein
 after mentioned. Corporate
name.

2. The capital stock of the said Bank shall be one million Capital stock
and chief
office.
 20 dollars, divided into ten thousand shares of one hundred dollars
 each, and its chief office shall be at the City of Toronto.

3. For the purpose of organizing the said Bank, and of raising Provisional
directors
 the amount of the said capital stock, the persons hereinbefore
 mentioned by name shall be provisional directors thereof, and
 25 they, or a majority of them, may cause stock books to be opened
 after giving due notice thereof; upon which stock books shall and
 may be received the signatures and subscriptions of such parties
 or persons as desire to become shareholders in the said Bank, and
 such books shall be opened at Toronto and elsewhere at the
 30 discretion of the provisional directors or such majority of them,
 and shall be kept open so long as they shall deem necessary; and
 so soon as five hundred thousand dollars of the capital stock shall
 have been subscribed upon the said stock books, and one hundred
 thousand dollars thereof actually paid into some one of the present
 35 chartered Banks in Canada, a public meeting shall be called of the
 subscribers thereof, by notice published at least two weeks in two
 newspapers of the said City of Toronto, such meeting to be held
 in Toronto aforesaid, at such time as such notice shall indicate,
 and at such meeting the subscribers shall proceed to elect seven
 40 directors, having the requisite stock qualification, who shall from
 thenceforward manage the affairs of the said corporation, shall
 take charge of the stock books hereinbefore referred to, and shall
 continue in office until the first Wednesday in the month of July,
 which shall be in the year next after the year in which they are

Stock books to
be opened.
First meeting
of share-
holders.

so elected, and until their successors in office shall be duly elected; and immediately upon such election being had, the functions of the said provisional directors shall cease.

34 V., c. 5 to
apply.

4. The Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered five, intituled: *An Act relating to Banks and Banking*, and all the provisions thereof, shall apply to the Bank hereby incorporated in the same manner as if it were expressly incorporated with this Act, excepting so far as such provisions relate only to Banks already in existence, or to Banks *en commande*. 5 10

Bank to obtain
certificate
from Treasury
Board.

5. The said Bank shall obtain from the Treasury Board, within twelve months from and after the passing of this Act, the certificate required by section seven of the said Act relating to Banks and Banking, passed in the thirty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter five, in default of which this Act shall become and be null and void, and of no effect, and the charter hereby granted, and all and every the rights and privileges hereby conferred, shall be forfeited. 15

Duration of
Act.

6 This Act shall remain in force until the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one. 20