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An Act to incorporate the Loyal Orange Institution of
British America.

WHEREAS certain persons, being good and faithful subjects of Her Majesty, have associated themselves together in various parts of this Province, under the title and name of "*The Loyal Orange Institution of British America*;" And whereas the said persons profess, not only to be good and loyal subjects of Her Majesty, but to be governed by the high moral obligation of assisting the needy and distressed members of their Order, and of providing aid and comfort for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Members; And whereas the better to enable them to carry out the benevolent objects of their Association, it is desirable to confer upon them the legal powers and responsibilities of holding property for the said purposes, and of accounting for the same in a legal and proper form, when required so to do: Be it therefore enacted:

I. Ogle Robert Gowan, Richard Dempsey, George Brock Rousseaux, Charles R. Bedwell, Samuel H. Gilbert, Robert McVeety, William Meikle, the Rev. Vincent P. Mayerhoffer, Thomas Armstrong, George Lyttleton Allen, William F. Powell, Gabriel Balfour, Edward F. Weekes, Archibald McMaugh, Steadman Baldwin Campbell, the Rev. Stephen Lett, the Rev. J. Gilbert Armstrong, the Rev. D. Evans, the Rev. Nassau Chetwood Gowan, the Rev. James Padfield, the Rev. D. Falloon Hutchison, the Rev. Christopher Curry, the Rev. Mark Boomer, William C. Allen, Thomas Robinson, Alfio De Grassi, F. H. Burton, Francis Abbott, Robert Craig, Thomas Johnston, Patrick McElroy, Thomas Langriel, and J. B. Turner, and their successors in office, who may be hereafter appointed under and by virtue of "the Constitution and Laws" of the said Institution, and so many other persons and parties as have now, or as may hereafter become members thereof, shall be and they are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic, by the name, style and title of "*The Loyal Orange Institution of British America*," and by that name, style and title shall and may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all the Courts of Law and Equity whatsoever, and shall have uninterrupted succession and a common seal, which may by them be varied or changed at pleasure.

Preamble.

Institution incorporated.

Corporate name and general powers.

II. It shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation to acquire and hold such land and immoveable or real property, as may be required for the use of the said Corporation, and such mortgages, bonds, and personal property as may be required for securing investments made, or to be made from time to time, of the surplus funds of the society.

Real and personal property.

III. It shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation to appoint such members thereof as they may think proper, in such manner as they

Managers of the funds and property.

may by "the Constitution and Laws" of the said Institution provide, for the purpose of managing the funds and property of the said Corporation, and to revoke such appointments, and substitute others in their places as they may deem expedient, and to demand and accept such security as they may from time to time think proper and meet from such parties, or from any officers appointed by the said Corporation, for the performance of their respective duties, and for that purpose to make, ordain and put in execution all such By-laws and regulations as they may think useful and necessary. 5

Provision in case of dissolution, &c., of subordinate lodges IV. Upon any Private, District or County Lodge of this Corporation becoming dissolved or dormant, the property held by such Private, District or County Lodge, (as the case may be,) at the time of such dissolution or dormancy, after the payment of the debts and engagements of such Private, District or County Lodge (if any such debt or engagement should be found legally to exist) shall vest in and become the sole property of the Grand Officers of the Order, to be by them applied to the original intention for which the same was subscribed and given, or failing to be able to carry out such original intention, then to such benevolent purpose as the Grand Lodge of the Order may determine. 10 15

Power to make By-laws. V. The said Corporation shall have full power and authority to frame, enact and establish By-laws, resolutions, orders and regulations (not being contrary to Law) as they shall deem useful or necessary for the government, good conduct and conducting of the said Order hereby incorporated, and from time to time, to alter, repeal and change the said By-laws, resolutions, orders or regulations, as to the said Corporation may seem meet. 20 25

Returns to the Legislature VI. The said Corporation shall, whenever required by the Legislature of the Province, present a true and faithful return, shewing the amount of all property real or personal held by it under the authority of this Act, together with the receipts and disbursements that may have been received or expended during the year last before that when such return shall or may be called for; and also a full return of the names of the Office bearers and managers of such Corporation, when appointed, and all salaries, income and remuneration (if any) paid to them, as such office bearers or managers. 30

To what purposes the funds shall be applied. VII. This Act shall not be construed to give power to the Officers of the said society, to dispense or dispose of the funds of the said Association so given as aforesaid, for any other purpose than that of charity, and the legitimate expenditure for buildings, servants and other incidental expenses connected therewith. 35

Public Act. To apply to all Lodges VIII. This Act shall be taken and deemed to be a public Act, and shall affect and apply to all Private, District and County Lodges, as well as to the Grand Lodge representing the whole Order. 40