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**An Act to Incorporate the St. Bridget's
Asylum Association of Quebec.**

(PRIVATE BILL.)

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An Act to incorporate the St. Bridget's Asylum Association of Quebec.

WHEREAS an Association has been formed in the City of Quebec, for the purpose of providing for the maintenance of aged and infirm persons; And whereas the said Association has established an Asylum for destitute orphans and immigrants, and has also in contemplation the establishing of an hospital where medical aid and attendance may be afforded to the indigent; And whereas certain members of the said Association, and others interested in its welfare have, by their petition, represented that the said Association would be more efficient by giving to it the character of a Corporation: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Preamble.

I. The Reverend Bernard McGauran, Henry O'Connor, Thomas J. Murphy, Maurice O'Leary, John Lane, junior, John Baxter, Patrick Shee, Wm. Quinn, E. O'Doherty, M. J. O'Doherty, Jeremiah C. Nolan, James Murphy, John Lilly, John Magee, John Flanagan, Jos. Thomas, John Lane, senior, Terence Morgan, Patrick Lawlor, J. Teaffe, T. M. Quigley, Honorable Chas. Alleyn, M. Kelly, Thomas McGreevy, Wm. Kirwin, Edward Quinn, J. Quinn, M. Cavanagh, Michael Cullen, M. A. Hearn, R. McGreevy, M. T. Walsh, George Smith, John O'Leary, Sergeant Walsh, Henry Martin, R. W. Behan, George W. Colfer, Daniel Carey, E. D. Cannon, Matthew Enright, Joseph Archer, George Neilan, J. M. Jordan, Michael Connolly, Archibald McDonnell, Hugh Devlin, M. Dunn, J. Ryan, J. Kindelin, J. O'Kane, Thos. Malone, J. B. O'Doherty, P. O'Doherty, John O'Reilly, George McGlynn, J. Enright, Patrick Hanning, J. O'Brien, P. Teaffe, J. Cook, John Sharples, J. P. O'Meara, Nelson Lee, Wm. Nolan, Daniel O'Sullivan, Patrick McMahon, Patrick Walsh, William Scanlan, Michael Lynch, James O'Donovan, William Hannon, Chas. Gilbride, Denis Malone, Laurence Stafford, Joseph Reid, Richard Alleyn, Edward Tauffe, L. Stafford, and the Chaplain for the time being of the Catholics of Quebec speaking the English language, and all others who may be from time to time elected in the manner hereinafter mentioned, members of the said Association, and who shall continue to be members by the observance of the Rules or By-Laws which may be framed on that behalf, as hereafter specified, shall be and the same are hereby constituted and made a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the "St. Bridget's Asylum Association," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, with the other powers of incorporated bodies under the Interpretation Act, and shall have power, from time to time, to alter, renew and change such common seal at pleasure, and by the same name shall and may be capable in law to sue and be sued, answer and be answered unto in all Courts of Law and places whatsoever, in as large, ample and beneficial a manner as any other body corporate or politic, or as any person able or capable in law may or can sue or be sued, answer and be answered unto in any manner whatsoever; and

Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name and general powers.

Amount of £

- real property shall by the said name, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, be able and capable to purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, and to have, take and receive for them and their successors, to and for the actual occupation only of the said Corporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and real and immoveable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of whensoever the said Corporation may deem it proper to do so; and the said Corporation may further acquire any other real estate or any interest therein, by gift, devise or bequest, and the Corporation may hold such estate for a period of not more than three years, and the same or any part or portion thereof, or interest therein, which may not within the said period have been alienated or disposed of, shall revert to the party from whom the same was acquired, his heirs or other representatives: Provided always, that the proceeds of such property, as shall have been disposed of during the said period, may be invested in the public Securities of the Province, Stocks of Chartered Banks, mortgages or other approved securities for the use of the said Corporation.
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- real property limited.
- Provido: as to proceeds of real estate sold.
- Property of association transferred to Corporation.
- Also liabilities.
- Corporation to elect Committee of Management annually.
- Vacancies, how filled up
- Committee of Management to make By-laws.
- II. All the property, real and personal, now held by the Committee of the said Association now in office, or any member or members thereof, or by any other person or persons, for the use or benefit of the said St. Bridget's Asylum Association, shall be and is hereby transferred to and vested in the Corporation hereby constituted, subject to the limitations in the preceding section contained; and the said Corporation shall be liable for all the debts, claims and demands, lawfully incurred by and existing against any person or persons, for and on behalf of the St. Bridget's Asylum Association hereby incorporated, nor shall any hypothec, lien or other privilege or security upon any property hereby vested in the said Corporation, or any right whatever of any third party whatsoever, be impaired or affected by the transfer of the said property from the person or persons now holding the same to the said Corporation.
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- III. For the management of the affairs of the said Corporation, there shall be a Committee of Management, composed of twelve or more persons, who shall be annually elected by the members of the said Corporation from amongst the members thereof, at a general meeting to be held annually in the month of December; the term of office to be one year from the first day of January in each and every year, and at their first meeting after such election, the said Committee of Management shall choose out of their number two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and an Assistant Secretary, who shall hold their offices respectively during the period aforesaid; and in case of any vacancy occurring in the said Committee of Management, or among the officers herein above named, either by death, resignation, refusal to act, or neglect of duty, to be determined by the said Committee, on the part of any member thereof, or of any of the officers aforesaid, such vacancy shall be filled up as follows, viz: the members of the general body shall elect a member to fill up the vacancy which shall be caused in the Committee by death, resignation, refusal to act or neglect of duty, and the Committee shall then proceed at its next regular meeting to fill up the vacant office.
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- IV. The Committee of Management shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to make By-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to this Act, nor to the laws of Lower Canada, for the admission of persons desirous of becoming members of the said Corporation, and for the officers, servants and others connected therewith,
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- and for the general management of the affairs of the said Corporation, and the children and all other parties admitted for relief, and received and supported by the said Corporation, and may from time to time repeal or alter the same, and make others in their stead, and shall also
 5 have full power and authority to apprentice or bind out to any healthy trade, business or occupation, the orphan children received and supported by the said Corporation, and shall have and may exercise, over and with respect to them, such powers as their parents, if living, would have and might exercise. Further powers of Committee.
- 10 V. T. J. Murphy, Joseph Archer, Jno. Flanagan, J. Lane, senior, Mat. Enright, P. Lawler, R. W. Behan, J. C. Nolan, M. J. O'Doherty, John Lilly, John O'Leary, and H. O'Connor, shall be the first members of the Committee of Management of the said Corporation; and E. O'Doherty and Wm. Quinn, shall be first Vice-Presidents, J. Lane, jr.,
 15 first Secretary, Geo. Neilan, first Assistant Secretary, Maurice O'Leary, first Treasurer; and the said persons shall respectively remain in office, until the first general election, to be held pursuant to the provisions of this Act. First officers appointed. Term of office.
- 20 VI. The Reverend Bernard McGauran, the present Chaplain appointed to officiate in the St. Patrick's Church, in the City of Quebec, and to minister unto the congregation thereof, shall be, so long as he shall continue to be such Chaplain, the President of the said Corporation; but after the said Reverend B. McGauran shall have ceased to act as
 25 such Chaplain, the said office of President shall become and thenceforward be elective, in the same manner and at the same periods as the offices of Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and Assistant Secretary; and in case the said Reverend B. McGauran shall cease to fill the said office of Chaplain, at a period within one month previous to the December election, a President to succeed him, and who shall continue in
 30 office until the first of January then next ensuing, shall be appointed in the manner provided by section three. First President appointed. Future Presidents to be elected.
- 35 VII. In the absence of the President, either of the Vice-Presidents may preside at any meetings of the said Corporation or of the Committee of Management, and in the absence of the Vice-Presidents, any member of the Committee of Management chosen by the members, or a majority thereof, present at such meeting. Who shall preside at meetings.
- 40 VIII. The Corporation shall at all times, when thereunto required by the Governor or either branch of the Legislature, make a full return of its property, real and personal, and of its receipts and expenditure for such period, and with such details and other information as the Governor or either branch of the Legislature may require. Report to the Legislature.
- IX. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act. Public Act.