

or of any person or persons, or of any Body Politic or Corporate, such only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

Act to be a public Act.

VI. And be it enacted, that this Act shall be deemed a public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other persons whatsoever, without being specially pleaded.

C A P. LII.

An Act to Incorporate the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal.

[16th November, 1843.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS an Association has existed for several years, in the City of Montreal, in this Province, under the name of "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal," for the purpose of providing for the relief, support, and education of destitute and friendless Orphans of the Protestant persuasion in the said City, and has maintained, instructed, and placed out as apprentices, a large number of such Orphans as aforesaid; And whereas the Association is composed of the several persons hereinafter mentioned, who have, by their petition, represented that the advantages arising from the said Association, would be greatly extended and confirmed by the legal Incorporation thereof, and have prayed that they and their successors may be incorporated under certain regulations and provisions hereinafter mentioned; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that Susanna Holmes Wilkes, Elizabeth McGillivray Reid, Jane Davidson Ross, Ann Ross McCord, Mary McGillivray, Jane Moffatt, Isabella Geddes Sewell, Juliet Wadsworth Holmes, P. A. Wishart Macnider, Susanna Lyman Corse, Ann Jones Corse, Sarah Stilson Farquhar, Elisa Ross, Isabella Boston, Catherine Farquhar, Mary Corse Lyman, Margaret Barret, Agnes Munn Fisher, Henriette Platt Geddes, Agnes Armour Ramsay, Elisabeth Campbell Esson, Elizabeth Irvine Gunn, Charlotte Grace Leslie, and such other persons as shall, under the provisions of this Statute become members of the said Institution shall be and are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporate in deed and in name, by the name of "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal," and by that name shall have

Certain Ladies Incorporated by the name of "The Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of the City of Montreal."

have perpetual succession and a Common Seal, and shall have power from time to time to alter, renew, or change such Common Seal at their pleasure, and shall by the same 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 to them and their successors, to and for the uses and purposes of the said Corporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and real or immoveable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of one thousand pounds, currency, and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of, and to purchase others in their stead for the same purpose; and by the same name shall and may be able and capable in Law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, 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 Politic or Corporate, or as any persons able or capable in Law may or can sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any manner whatsoever, and shall have power and authority to make and establish such Rules, Orders and Regulations not being contrary to this Statute, nor to the Laws in force in this Province, as shall be deemed useful or necessary for the interests of the said Corporation and for the management thereof, and for the admission of members into the said Corporation, and from time to time, to alter, repeal and change the said Rules, Orders, and Regulations or any of them, and shall and may do, execute and perform; all and singular other the matters and things relating to the said Corporation and the management thereof, which shall or may appertain thereto; subject nevertheless, to the rules, regulations, stipulations and provisions hereinafter prescribed and established.

Corporate powers granted.
 Common Seal.
 May hold property.
 Value of property limited.
 May sue and be sued.
 May make By-laws.
 Other powers.

II. And be it enacted, that an annual general meeting of the members of the said Corporation shall be held on the first Tuesday of the month of January in each and every year, or if any such Tuesday be a holy day, or if the election be not for any cause then had, then on such day as shall be appointed in the manner hereinafter mentioned, for the annual election of Directresses and Managers, a Secretary and Treasurer of the said Association, as to the said Corporation shall seem meet, by and through the majority of such members present at such general meeting, and for the transaction of all matters and things relating to the said Corporation for the year preceding the said first Tuesday of the said month of January, and for the adjustment and settlement of the transactions and business of the said Corporation for the said preceding year: Provided always, that the said Corporation, on a requisition signed by not less than five of the members thereof, shall, by a notice to be inserted for not less than seven days in one or more of the newspapers published in the City of Montreal, call a general meeting of the members of the said Corporation, specifying the hour, day, place and object of the said meeting; and the members aforesaid or the majority thereof at such general meeting aforesaid, shall have

Annual General Meeting of the Corporation when and how to be held.
 Extraordinary General Meetings may be called, and in what manner.

Power of any such extraordinary General Meeting.

have power and authority to revise, alter or rescind any Rules, Orders and Regulations for the management of the Corporation, after notice of such repeal or alteration shall have been given at a general meeting next immediately preceding that at which such application shall be made and considered, and to admit new members, and to fill up all vacancies which may occur among the said Directresses and Managers, Secretary and Treasurer aforesaid, and generally to do and perform all such matters and things as may be conducive to the well being of the said Corporation.

Property now held by the Association vested in the Corporation.

III. And be it enacted, that all and every the estate and property, real and personal, belonging to, or hereafter to be acquired by the said members of the said Association, as such, and all debts, claims and rights whatsoever due to them in that quality shall be and are hereby vested in the Corporation hereby established; and the Directresses, Managers, Secretary and Treasurer appointed or to be appointed before such annual general meeting shall be held, shall be and continue to be the Directresses, Managers, Secretary and Treasurer of the said Corporation, until others in their stead or the same shall be elected at such annual general meeting, in the manner herein provided; and the Rules, Orders and Regulations now made or to be made for the management of the said Association shall be and continue to be the Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation until altered or repealed in the manner herein provided; and the said Rules, Orders and Regulations shall be submitted to the members aforesaid for their approval and confirmation, at such general meeting aforesaid.

Present Directresses, &c. to continue in Office until the next General Meeting.

The present Rules and Regulations shall continue in force until the same time.

Directresses and Managers may appoint Officers and Servants of the Corporation.

And shall have other powers requisite for the well being of the Corporation.

IV. And be it enacted, that the said Directresses and Managers for the time being, shall have power to appoint such officers and servants of the said Corporation, as shall be necessary for the well conducting of the business of the same, and to allow to them such compensation for their services, respectively, as shall be reasonable and proper, and the said Directresses and Managers shall be capable of exercising such other powers and authority for the well governing and ordering of the affairs of the said Corporation, as shall be prescribed by the Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation.

No member of the Corporation or other person to be individually liable for any Debt, &c., of the Corporation.

V. And be it enacted, that nothing herein contained shall have the effect, or be construed to have the effect, of rendering all or any of the said several persons hereinbefore mentioned, or all or any of the members of the said Corporation, or any person whatsoever, individually liable or accountable for or by reason of any debt, contract, or security for or by reason of the said Corporation, or for or on account, or in respect of any matter or thing whatsoever relating to the said Corporation.

VI.

VI. And be it enacted, that it shall not be necessary for the validity of any Act performed by any married woman, as a member of the said Corporation, or to her becoming such, that she be thereunto specially authorized by her husband; any Law, usage, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Married women being members of the Corporation, need not be specially authorized to act as such.

VII. And be it enacted, that nothing herein contained, shall affect or be construed to affect in any manner or way the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any person or persons, or of any Body Politic or Corporate, such only excepted, as hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

Rights of Her Majesty and others saved.

VIII. And be it enacted, that this Act shall be deemed a public Act, and shall be publicly taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other persons whatsoever, without being specially pleaded.

Public Act.

C A P . L I I I .

An Act to incorporate the Ladies of the Committee of Management of the Montreal Lying-in Hospital.

[16th November, 1843.]

WHEREAS an association has, for some time past, existed in the City of Montreal, in this Province, for conducting and managing a Lying-in Hospital, in the said City, designed for the Relief of distressed Females, who from their poverty are unable to procure that comfort and support for the want of which, not only their own lives but the lives of their offspring are placed in jeopardy; And whereas the persons hereinafter named, being members of the said Association, have, by their petition, represented that the advantages resulting from the Association would be greatly increased, if the members thereof were incorporated under proper regulations, and have prayed to be incorporated accordingly, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of their petition for the purpose of encouraging the laudable efforts of the said Association, and promoting the public advantages which must arise from the same; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that Elizabeth Platt, Jane Vallières, Mary Mathewson, Sarah Campbell, Isabella Dorwin,

Preamble.

Names of present Mem-