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HONORARY MEMBERS.

HIS EXCELLENCY VISCOUNT MONCK, GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUT.-GEN. SIR W. F. WILLIAMS, BART.,
K.C.B., &c., &c.

President,—JAMES TORRANCE.

Vice-President,—JOHN LEWIS.

Directors :

THOS. MORLAND,

J. J. JONES,

ALFRED BROWN,

JOHN GREENSHIELDS,

G. M. MILLAR.

Secretary-Treasurer,—W. F. GAIRDNER,

29 LITTLE ST. JAMES STREET.

AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE THE

VICTORIA SKATING CLUB

OF MONTREAL.

(25th Victoria, Cap. 101.)

WHEREAS James Torrance, John Greenshields, John Lewis, George M. Millar, Alfred Brown, John J. Jones, Thomas Morland and others, have petitioned for the incorporation of themselves and others as the Victoria Skating Club of Montreal, and to that end have represented that they have need to be enabled to hold such real estate as may be requisite for the formation of a Skating Rink in the City of Montreal, and the erection thereon of suitable buildings over and about the same, and are desirous of being incorporated for such purposes, under the name of the Victoria Skating Club of Montreal; and whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer,

Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. The aforesaid persons, and all others who shall become shareholders in the said Company, shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the "Victoria Skating Club of Montreal," and under the said name may acquire for themselves and their successors, under any legal title whatever, such real estate in the City of Montreal as they may require for the actual occupation of such skating club, and the Directors thereof for the time being may sell and alienate any real estate,

held or to be held by the said Club, and for such price or prices, and on such terms and conditions as they may see fit, grant valid discharges for such price, and should they see fit, acquire other instead thereof for the purposes of this Act, and the said Directors may borrow money on the hypothecary security of the immovable property of the corporation, for such time, and on such terms, and at such rates of interest as they shall see fit.

2. The capital of the Company shall be Twelve Thousand Dollars, currency, divided into Two Hundred and Forty shares of Fifty Dollars each, with power to increase the same to Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, such increase to be authorized by a vote of the shareholders, at any meeting of the shareholders specially convened for the purpose, or at any meeting, in the notice convening which, it shall be stated that it is proposed to increase the capital.

3. The said James Torrance, John Greenshields, John Lewis, George M. Millar, Alfred Brown, John J. Jones and Thomas Morland shall be the Directors of the Company until a choice of Directors by election of the shareholders shall take place in the manner hereinafter prescribed, and they shall have power to open books for the subscription of shares, and to make and collect calls thereon.

4. The Directors, or a majority of them, may open a subscription book and receive the subscription of persons desirous of becoming shareholders in the Company, and may allot to such persons the number of shares that each or any of them shall have in the capital of the Company.

5. The shares in the capital of the Company shall be transferable in such manner as shall from time to time be prescribed by the by-laws, but no share shall be transferable until all the calls previously made thereon shall have been paid, or until such share shall have been declared forfeited for non-payment of calls.

6. The Company may administer their affairs by any number of Directors, to be elected annually from among the shareholders at their annual meeting, their number and qualification being declared in the rules of such society, and by such other officers, and under such restrictions touching their powers and duties, as by by-law in that behalf they may from time to time ordain, and they may assign to any of such officers such remuneration as they may deem requisite, and such Directors shall always hold office till their successors are elected.

7. An annual meeting of the Company shall be held for the transaction of the general business of the Company, and the election of Directors, at such time and place, and under such regulations with regard to notice, as the by-laws of the Company shall determine, and until it shall be so determined, the first annual meeting shall be held on the first Saturday of November, and in case of a vacancy occurring among the Directors by death, resignation or otherwise, at any time previous to the annual meeting, the same shall be filled up for the remainder of the unoccupied term by the Directors, if by them deemed expedient, as may be prescribed by the by-laws of the Company.

8. The Directors may make such calls upon the capital stock of the Company as they may from time to time deem expedient.

9. The Corporation may make all such by-laws not contrary to law as they may deem expedient for the government thereof, the maintenance and due regulation of their skating rink, and of their grounds and buildings connected therewith, the raising of capital by the issue of transferable shares or otherwise, the conditions under which shares shall be issued and may be transferred or forfeited, the admission to the rink of non-shareholders, and the regulations to which such non-shareholders shall be subject, and the administration of their affairs generally, and may amend and

repeal such by-laws from time to time, observing, always however, such formalities of procedure as by such by-laws may have been prescribed to that end, and generally shall have all needful corporate powers for the purposes of this Act.

10. No shareholder in the Company shall in any manner be liable to, or charged with, the payment of any debt or demand due by the Company beyond the amount of his or her unpaid subscribed share or shares in the capital stock of the Company.

11. The Corporation shall at all times, when thereunto required by the Governor, or by either branch of the Legislature, make a full return of its property, real and personal, and of its receipts and expenditures for such period, and with such details and other information as the Governor, or either branch of the Legislature may require.

12. This act shall be a Public Act.

VICTORIA SKATING CLUB

OF MONTREAL.

B Y - L A W S .

I. The office-bearers of this Club shall consist of seven Directors (constituting a Board of Management,) of whom two shall be chosen, President and Vice-President, respectively, as hereafter provided, and a Secretary-Treasurer; and it shall be the duty of such Directors to attend to the general management of the Rink and all matters connected therewith, the engagement of Rink-keepers, and such other incidental business as may from time to time arise. The President and Vice-President shall be elected by the Directors from among themselves, as soon as may be, in each year after the annual general meeting hereinafter provided for. The President shall preside at the meetings of the Board, and in his absence the Vice-President, and, in the absence of both, some one of the Directors present shall be named to fill the chair. Four Directors shall constitute a quorum, and, in case of a tie, the chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be appointed by the Directors, who may award him such remuneration as they may see fit. The President (and, in his absence, the Vice-President,) and the Secretary-Treasurer shall together have power to draw cheques, to sign deeds, and to represent and sign for the Club in all matters of special import.

II. The Directors shall be elected at the annual general meeting of the shareholders to be held, for the year 1862, on the first Saturday in November, as provided by the Act of Incorporation, and in subsequent years, on the last Wednesday of November, at which meetings all the shareholders shall be notified by circular, and, if deemed necessary, by advertisement signed by the Secretary-Treasurer, to attend; and should any vacancy occur among the Directors previous to the annual meeting, the same shall be filled up by themselves for the remainder of the unexpired term.

III. At all general meetings fifteen shall constitute a quorum. Every shareholder shall be eligible to office, (under the restrictions of the next section,) and each shareholder shall have one vote and no more.

IV. No shareholder shall be allowed to vote on any occasion whatever, until he shall have paid all calls upon his shares.

V. At the annual general meeting, the Directors shall present a report and abstract of the accounts and general concerns of the Club, and, if practicable, a dividend of so much per cent. on the Capital Stock, shall be declared out of the profits of the Club, unless the meeting determine otherwise.

VI. The President may of his own accord, and shall on the written requisition of any twenty-five shareholders, call a general meeting for any purpose whatever; and the officer calling such meeting shall cause notification of the same to be made to the shareholders by circular, and, if deemed necessary, by advertisement, stating the object of the meeting, signed by the Secretary-Treasurer; and the President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President shall have power to call special meetings of the Directors whenever necessary, and it shall be his duty to do so when any three of the Directors shall request him in writing to do so, stating the object of the meeting.

VII. The Directors shall not devote the funds of the Corporation to the acquisition of any other buildings or real estate, nor shall they sell, alienate, mortgage or hypothecate any real estate belonging to the Club, without the sanction of a general meeting, of which one week's notice shall be given by circular, or, if deemed necessary, by advertisement, signed by the Secretary-Treasurer, stating the object of such meeting.

VIII. Any shareholder may transfer his share or shares subject to the provisions of the 5th sec. of the Act of Incorporation, by causing an entry of such transfer to be made in the books of the Club to be kept for the registry and transfer of shares, but no transfer shall be valid without the express consent of the Directors. The form of transfer shall be as follows :—

I of do hereby assign, transfer,
 and make over to of for value received
 share of fifty dollars each held by me in the Victoria
 Skating Club of Montreal, on which have been paid dollars
 per share.

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I accept the above transfer.

IX. Should any shareholder be in default to the Club for any calls upon his stock, the Directors may, if they see fit, after due notice of three months has been given to such shareholder, proceed at law to recover the amount due, or may, at their option, declare such share or shares forfeited by a resolution of the Board, and such shareholder shall then be considered to have withdrawn from the Corporation, and to have forfeited all interest in such share or shares, which the Directors may sell and dispose of for the benefit of the Corporation.

X. All applications for admission, as subscribers only, to the use of the Rink of the Club during the skating season, shall be made to and determined by the Directors.

XI. The subscriptions to the Rink shall be as follows:—

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| Family season ticket to shareholders..... | \$12.00 |
| Single " " " | 8.00 |
| Family season ticket to non-shareholders..... | 15.00 |
| Single " " " | 10.00 |

A reduction of one-half will be made to Clergymen.

A family season ticket will admit the subscriber and all members of his family, with the exception of sons or brothers over 18 years of age. Children under 12 years of age will not be allowed to skate after seven o'clock in the evening. Ladies having no male relative domiciled with them, shall be admitted by a lady's single season ticket, carrying with it all the privileges of a family season ticket, at a cost of \$5. The word *subscriber*, used in these By-laws, shall include shareholders subscribing to the Rink, as well as ordinary subscribers not shareholders.

XII. Any subscriber wishing to introduce a friend, who is a non-resident of the city, to the Rink, to skate, may do so upon entering his own name and that of his friend in a book to be provided for the purpose and kept at the Rink, and paying a fee of 25 cents on each day for each friend so introduced.

XIII. Any subscriber whose dues are all paid, shall be at liberty to withdraw from the Club, on sending in his written application to that effect to the Secretary-Treasurer before the annual general meeting.

XIV. The various subscriptions mentioned in Sec. II shall be payable absolutely in advance; and the names of those in arrear for their subscriptions on the opening of the Rink in each year, shall, after due notice given to them of the subscription being due, be placed on a defaulters' list in some public part of the Rink, during one fortnight; after which delay, if the amounts are still unpaid, the names shall be struck off the list of subscribers, and the defaulters excluded from the use of the Rink.

XV. The Rink shall be open every day (Sundays excepted) during the skating season from 8 A. M. till 10 P. M., and any deviation from these hours must be with the special sanction of Directors.

XVI. Smoking shall not be allowed in any part of the building, nor shall refreshments in any case be introduced within the building without the special sanction of the Directors.

XVII. The Directors shall have a general power to make rules and regulations for the internal management of the Rink, and for the admittance of the public as spectators, with or without charge.

XVIII. Any subscriber wilfully infringing the By-laws or any of the Regulations of the Rink, shall be liable to be struck off the list of subscribers and be excluded from the use of the Rink, by a vote of three-fourths of the Directors present at a meeting specially convened for that purpose, one week's notice in writing having been previously given to such subscriber, signed by the Secretary-Treasurer, and such subscriber may, if he please, appear before such meeting of Directors to offer his defence.

XIX. Any By-law of the Club may be altered or annulled, or new By-laws passed, with the consent of two-thirds of the shareholders present at any general meeting, notice thereof having been given by the proposer at the previous general meeting.

LIST OF SHAREHOLDERS.

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| <p>Abbott, Hon. J. J. C..... 1 Allan, Andrew..... 2 Allan, Hugh..... 2 Atwater, Edwin..... 2</p> <p>Bacon, Geo. H..... 1 Bacon, Thos..... 1 Baker, J. C..... 1 Barnston, Geo..... 2 Beandry, J. L..... 1 Berthelot, Hon. J. A..... 2 Bethune, Strachan..... 1 Betournay, Louis..... 1 Bouthillier, T..... 2 Bowker, H. M..... 1 Brooke, Richd. A..... 2 Brown, Alfred..... 1 Brown, Wm..... 1 Bulmer, Henry..... 2</p> <p>Carter, Edward..... 1 Carter, William..... 1 Cartier, Hon. Geo. E..... 1 Caverhill, John..... 1 Chapman, Henry..... 1 Clouston, J. S..... 1 Cochrane, M. H..... 2 Court, James..... 2 Cowan, Mrs. Wm..... 1 Cramp, Thos..... 1 Crathern, James..... 1 Crawford, James D..... 1 Cunningham, Wm..... 2</p> | <p>Dakers, James..... 1 Davidson, D..... 1 Davies, W. H. A..... 2 Dawson, John T..... 1 Day, J. J..... 2 Dorion, Hon. A. A..... 1 Doucet, T..... 2 Dow, Wm..... 2 Drummond, G. A..... 1 Dyde, John..... 1</p> <p>Eadie, Geo. W..... 1 Elwell, Herbert..... 2 Evans, J. H..... 1 Evans, Samuel..... 1 Evans, Thos. A..... 1 Evans, W. C..... 1</p> <p>Ferrier, G. D..... 1 Ferrier, Jas., Jr..... 1 Fraser, Wm., M.D..... 1 Freer, E. S..... 2</p> <p>Gairdner, W. F..... 1 Galt, Hon. A. T..... 2 Gault, M. H..... 1 Gault, R. L..... 1</p> |
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| Gibb, B..... | 1 | Kay, Fred. W..... | 2 |
| Glassford, J. A..... | 2 | Kerr, Wm. H..... | 1 |
| Gould, Chas. H..... | 1 | Kerry, John..... | 1 |
| Gould, Ira..... | 2 | | |
| Gould, Joseph..... | 1 | | |
| Graham, James..... | 1 | | |
| Grant, James..... | 1 | Lackmann, R..... | 1 |
| Grant, John..... | 1 | Lafontaine, Hon. Sir L. H., Bart. | 1 |
| Greenshields, D. J..... | 1 | Lafrenaye, P. R..... | 1 |
| Greenshields, James B..... | 2 | Lambe, Wm. B..... | 1 |
| Greenshields, John..... | 2 | Lawford, Fred..... | 1 |
| Griffin, John C..... | 1 | Leach, Rev. Wm. T..... | 1 |
| | | Leckie, Robert..... | 2 |
| | | Leeming, John..... | 1 |
| | | Leprohon, J. L., M.D..... | 1 |
| | | Lewis, David..... | 2 |
| | | Lewis, John..... | 1 |
| | | Lindsay, R. A..... | 1 |
| Hagar, George..... | 2 | Lovell, John..... | 1 |
| Hamilton, W. D..... | 1 | Low, Geo. H..... | 1 |
| Henderson, Alex..... | 1 | Lowe, John..... | 1 |
| Henshaw, F. W..... | 1 | Lyman, Benjamin..... | 1 |
| Hingston, Wm. H., M.D..... | 2 | Lyman, Henry..... | 1 |
| Holton, Hon. L. H..... | 3 | Lyman, Theodore..... | 1 |
| Hope, John..... | 1 | Lyman, Wm..... | 1 |
| Hopkins, Edward M..... | 2 | | |
| Hopkins, John W..... | 1 | | |
| Howard, J. W..... | 1 | | |
| Howard, R. P., M.D..... | 1 | | |
| Hughes, Nicholas H..... | 1 | | |
| Hunter, J. S..... | 1 | | |
| Hutchins, B..... | 1 | Macdonald, Duncan..... | 1 |
| Hutton, James..... | 2 | Macduff, Thos..... | 1 |
| Hutton, Wm. H..... | 1 | Macintosh, John..... | 1 |
| | | Mackay, Robert..... | 1 |
| | | Macrae, Wm..... | 2 |
| | | Maitland, Edward..... | 2 |
| | | Maitland, J. H..... | 1 |
| | | Major, James E..... | 1 |
| | | Mathewson, J. L..... | 1 |
| | | Matthews, F. B..... | 2 |
| | | Matthews, Geo..... | 1 |
| Johnston, H. J..... | 1 | May, Thos..... | 1 |
| Johnston, James..... | 1 | McCulloch, A. A..... | 2 |
| Jones, J. J..... | 2 | McDougall, James..... | 2 |
| Joseph, J. H..... | 2 | McLennan, J..... | 1 |
| Judah, Henry..... | 2 | Miller, G. M..... | 2 |
| | | Miller, Chas. D..... | 2 |
| | | Mills, Mrs. J. E..... | 2 |

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| Mitchell, Alexander..... | 2 | Rae, Jackson..... | 1 |
| Mitchell, James..... | 2 | Rankin, John..... | 2 |
| Mitchell, John..... | 2 | Raynes, R. T..... | 2 |
| Moffatt, Geo., Jr..... | 1 | Redpath, John J..... | 1 |
| Moir, James..... | 1 | Redpath, Peter..... | 3 |
| Molson, Alex..... | 1 | Reekie, James..... | 2 |
| Monk, Hon. S. O..... | 1 | Renaud, Hon. Louis..... | 1 |
| Morland, Thos..... | 2 | Rhynas, John..... | 1 |
| Morris, Alex..... | 1 | Rimmer, Thos..... | 1 |
| Morris, John L..... | 1 | Rintoul, W. H..... | 1 |
| Muir, Robert..... | 3 | Ritchie, Thos. W..... | 1 |
| Mulholland, H..... | 2 | Robertson, Andrew..... | 1 |
| Munro, Alex..... | 2 | Robertson, Duncan..... | 1 |
| Murray, Wm..... | 2 | Robertson, H..... | 1 |
| Mylrea, C. M..... | 1 | Robertson, W. W..... | 1 |
| | | Roe, Edward..... | 1 |
| | | Rose, Hon. John..... | 1 |
| | | Ross, Donald..... | 1 |
| | | Ross, Frank..... | 1 |
| | | Ross, J. M..... | 1 |
| | | Routh, H. L..... | 2 |
| | | Rudiger, R. A..... | 1 |
| Nelson, Horatio A..... | 2 | | |
| Newcomb, Wm..... | 2 | | |
| Nivin, Wm..... | 1 | | |
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| Ogilvy, John..... | 2 | | |
| Ogilvy, Thomas..... | 1 | | |
| Ostell, John..... | 2 | | |
| | | Sache, Wm..... | 1 |
| | | Scott, James..... | 2 |
| | | Sexton, J. P..... | 1 |
| | | Shanly, Walter..... | 1 |
| | | Shaw, David..... | 1 |
| | | Shaw, George..... | 2 |
| | | Shepherd, R. W..... | 1 |
| Paterson, Alex. T..... | 1 | Sidey, J. G..... | 1 |
| Paton, Thos..... | 1 | Smith, Geo..... | 1 |
| Peck, Thos..... | 1 | Smith, Samuel G..... | 2 |
| Penny, E. G..... | 1 | Snowdon, C. C..... | 1 |
| Phillips, W. E..... | 2 | Snowdon, H. L..... | 1 |
| Poe, D. A..... | 1 | Springle, J. H..... | 1 |
| Pominville, F..... | 1 | Stephen, Geo..... | 2 |
| Porteous, John..... | 1 | Stephen, Wm..... | 2 |
| | | Stewart, Mrs. Dugald..... | 1 |

