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CHARTER

OF BROWN TUBE COMPANY, INCORPORATED.

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans.

Be it known, that on this 18th day of the month of November, in the year 1914, and of the independence of the United States of America, the 139th, before me, Herman Michel, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared: the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that availing themselves of the privileges and of the statutes and laws of the state of Louisiana, relative to the formation of corporations, and particularly act No. 267 of the session of the general assembly of the state of Louisiana, of 1914, they have covenanted and agreed, and do by these presents covenant and agree, and bind and obligate themselves, as well as all such persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to form and constitute a body corporate and politic in law, for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations and provisions following, to-wit:

Article I.—The name and title of this corporation shall be the Brown Tube Company, Incorporated, and under that name shall have and enjoy all the rights, privileges and advantages granted by law to corporations, and shall have the power and authority to enjoy succession and corporate existence for and during the period of ninety-nine (99) years from the date hereof, unless sooner dissolved in the manner hereinafter provided for.

Said corporation shall have power and authority to contract, to sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break, alter or amend at pleasure, to hold, receive, purchase, convey, deliver, mortgage, hypothecate and pledge any property, real or personal, and to issue notes and other obligations, negotiable instruments or other evidences of debt; to have and employ such managers, agents and other employees as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require or demand, and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the corporate management and control of its affairs as may be deemed necessary and expedient.

Article II.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is created, are hereby declared to be: To buy, sell and generally deal in the Brown's Scientific Non-deflateable Tubes, as well as in all other automobile accessories and supplies; to act as agent and distributor of such articles of merchandise, as well as to buy and sell and generally deal in any merchandise or property of any nature or kind whatsoever, and for such purposes to do all such things that may be necessary in, or pertinent to, the conduct of such business.

Article III.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars, divided into, and represented by, one hundred (100) shares of the par value of one hundred ($100.00) dollars each, and when issued shall be paid for in cash or property, or in the equivalent thereof. All shares of stock shall be issued as full paid and non-assessable, and no transfer of stock shall be binding on said corporation, unless recorded on its books.

No stockholders of said corporation shall sell his stock to any person, until he has first offered it to the then stockholders of the corporation, and any transfer of stock made in violation of this provision shall not be recognized by the corporation.

This corporation shall be a going concern as soon as five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars of its capital stock has been subscribed as hereinabove provided.

Article IV.—The domicile of this corporation shall be in the city of New Orleans, parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, and all citation or other legal process shall be served upon the president, and in his absence, as the law directs.

Article V.—All of the powers of this corporation shall be vested in, and the management and control of its affairs shall be exercised by, a board of directors, to be composed of three stockholders, two of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the corporation, and each of whom shall own in his own right, at all times during the term of office, at least one full-paid share of the capital stock of this corporation.

The first board of directors shall be composed of Meyer Eiseman, 216 Baronne street, M. Perry Bouslog, 301 Baronne street and John L. Corcoran, 220 S. Galvez street. The officers of the first board of directors shall be Meyer Eiseman, president; M. Perry Bouslog, vice-president, and John L. Corcoran, secretary. The office of treasurer may be combined with the office of vice-president or the office of secretary. And the said board of directors and the said officers above named shall serve and remain in office until the first Monday in November, 1915, on which day and annually thereafter, the board of directors shall be elected by the stockholders, at a meeting called for that purpose. All directors and officers shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified, and any failure to elect directors shall not be regarded as a forfeiture of this charter.

In the election of directors, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock owned by him and standing in his name on the books of the corporation, and may be cast either in person or by duly authorized proxy, and a majority of the votes cast shall elect. Any vacancy occurring in the board of directors shall be filled by the remaining directors for the unexpired term.

Article VI.—All meetings of the stockholders shall be called by written notice, mailed to the last known address of each stockholder, not less than fifteen days before the date fixed for such meeting, unless said notice has been waived in writing by the stockholders.

Article VII.—This act of incorporation may be amended, modified, changed or altered, or this corporation may be dissolved, with the assent of the stockholders holding and owning two thirds of the capital stock thereof, who may be present or represented at a general meeting of the stockholders, convened for that purpose, and of which due notice has been given.

Whenever this corporation shall be dissolved, either by limitation or from any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners to be selected for that purpose from among the stockholders at a meeting of the stockholders convened for such purpose; said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of said corporation shall be fully and finally liquidated. Any vacancy occurring among the liquidators, from any cause whatsoever, shall be filled by the remaining commissioners. Said liquidators shall exercise all of the rights conferred upon them by law, and they are especially empowered to settle the affairs of said corporation, to collect the outstanding debts, sell and convey the property, pay its debts, and divide the remaining money and property among the stockholders.

Article VIII.—No stockholder shall ever be liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of this corporation in any further sum than the unpaid balance due by him on the shares of stock subscribed to, or owned by, him; nor shall any mere informality in the organization of this corporation have the effect of rendering this charter null, or of exposing any stockholder to any further liability than the unpaid amount which may be due on his stock subscription.

Article IX.—The subscription of Meyer Eiseman to fifty (50) shares of the stock of this corporation is covered by the transfer by him to this company on this date, of all his right, title and interest in and to two certain contracts entered into between the said Eiseman and the Brown Tube Distributors, H. D. Selleck, Proprietor, on the 31st day of October, 1914, in which said contract the said Eiseman is given the sole and exclusive right to handle and sell in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, the goods, wares and merchandise made and manufactured by the said Brown Tube Distributors, H. D. Selleck, Proprietor.

And the said board of directors have appraised the said contracts at the sum of five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars, and they authorize the incorporators of this corporation to issue full paid and non-assessable stock to the said Eiseman in the said sum of five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars in payment to the said Eiseman for the sale and transfer to this corporation of the said contracts held by him with the said Brown Tube Distributors, H. D. Selleck, Proprietor, as aforesaid. The valuation of said contracts has been acquiesced in, and agreed to, by all of the stockholders, as a fair and equitable appraisement.

Article X.—The subscribers hereto have respectively written opposite their names the amount of stock subscribed for by them, so that this act may also serve as the original subscription list of this corporation, and they have also stated their post-office addresses.

Thus done and passed at my office, in the city of New Orleans, on the day, month and year herein first above written, in the presence of David Sessler and Wm. F. Surgi, Jr., competent witnesses, who have signed their names with said appearers and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

Original signed: Meyer Eiseman, 216 Baronne St., New Orleans, La.; M. Perry Bouslog, 305 Baronne Street, New Orleans, La.; Jno. L. Corcoran, 220 S. Galvez Street, New Orleans, La. David Sessler, Wm. F. Surgi, Jr.

H. MICHEL, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of the Brown Tube Company, Inc., was this day duly recorded in my office, in book 1127, folio 610.

New Orleans, November 18th, 1914.

(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, Dy. R.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans.

I, Herman Michel, notary public in and for the parish of Orleans, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the act of incorporation of the Brown Tube Company, Inc., the original of which is on file and of record in my notarial office.

In faith whereof, witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of December, 1914.

H. MICHEL, Not. Pub.

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CHARTER

OF THE NEW ORLEANS PLANTATION COMPANY, INCORPORATED.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known, that on the fourth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, before me, William J. Formento, a notary public, in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, all above the full age of majority, who severally declared that, availing themselves of Act 267 of 1914, as well as the general laws of the State of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations, they hereby form themselves into, and constitute a corporation for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations, hereinafter set forth.

Article I.—The name and title of the corporation hereby formed is declared to be the New Orleans Plantation Company, Incorporated.

Its domicile shall be in the City of New Orleans and it shall have and enjoy succession by its corporate name for a period of ninety-nine (99) years from and after the date hereof.

This corporation shall have power and authority to contract, sue and be sued in its corporate name; to make and use a corporate seal; to hold, receive, hire and purchase real and personal property, and to sell, mortgage or pledge the same, and to borrow money and issue bonds, notes and other obligations.

All citations or other legal process shall be served upon the president, and in the event of his absence or inability to act from any cause, the same shall be served upon the vice-president, or any other officer in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Article II.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized, and the nature of the business to be carried on by it, are hereby declared to be:

To purchase, or otherwise acquire, erect, construct, equip, improve, extend, work, develop, operate, maintain, own, repair, control, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of water-rights, reservoirs, dams, canals, tunnels, ditches, flumes, drainage systems, controlling works, power plants, and irrigation works of plants, of whatsoever kind or nature, for the purpose of irrigating lands, reclaiming submerged lands, or storing waters, and the draining and conveying of waters from one place or places to another place or places.

To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire, erect, equip, improve, extend, work, develop, operate, maintain, own, repair, control, sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of water-rights, reservoirs, dams, canals, tunnels, ditches, flumes, drainage systems, controlling works, power plants or plant of whatsoever kind or nature, for the purpose of purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring, and selling, leasing, or otherwise disposing of power, light, heat, or energy in whatsoever form or nature, and the exercise of the customary and necessary powers incident thereto.

To acquire by purchase or otherwise, own, hold, buy, sell, convey, lease, mortgage or encumber real estate or other property, personal or mixed, and to reclaim, survey, subdivide, plat, improve and develop irrigated, submerged and other lands for purposes of sale and otherwise, and to do and perform all things needful and lawful for the reclamation, development and improvement of the same for agricultural, planting, cattle raising, residence, trade and business.

To purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to hold, own or control, receive, store, convey, deliver, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of water, ice or moisture in any form, or rights of any nature in and to water, or the usage thereof.

Generally to carry on or undertake any other business of the same general nature, which, from time to time, seems to the directors of this corporation capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with the above objects, or calculated directly or indirectly to render valuable or enhance the value of any of the company's privileges or rights, and which is lawful in Louisiana, for a corporation so organized.

Article III.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000), divided into and represented by six hundred (600) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each. This capital stock may be increased to two hundred sixty thousand dollars.

Said stock shall be paid for in installments of such amounts and at such times as the board of directors may determine, but any part or parcel of said stock may be issued by said board of directors at not less than par in payment of labor due or property actually received by said corporation.

This corporation shall commence business and be a going concern as soon as thirty-nine thousand dollars of its capital stock shall have been subscribed for and this charter signed and executed by the incorporators.

Article IV.—All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a board of five (5) directors, to be composed of stockholders, three of whom shall constitute a quorum for transacting all business. The board of directors shall be vested with full power and authority to make all contracts, purchases and sales, and adopt all by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the business and affairs of the company, and alter, amend and change the same at pleasure; appoint, hire and discharge all officers, agents and employes, fix all salaries, and generally to do and perform all things necessary in the transaction of the business and affairs of the company. Any vacancy occurring in said board shall be filled by the remaining directors in the manner provided for in the by-laws.

The first board of directors of this corporation shall consist of John S. Perry, Morton D. Hull, H. S. Bramwell, George H. Penn and Frank A. Helmer, with the said Frank A. Helmer as president, H. S. Bramwell, as vice-president, and John S. Perry, as secretary and treasurer, who shall hold their offices until the first Monday in December, 1915, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

On the first Monday in December, 1915, and annually thereafter, an election for directors shall be held at the office of the company, under the supervision of three commissioners to be appointed by the president, and the directors then elected shall take their seats immediately and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Each board shall elect its own officers, which shall consist of a president, a secretary and a treasurer; two of said offices may be held by the same person.

All corporate elections shall be by ballot, and a majority of the votes cast shall elect, and at all stockholders' meetings held for any purpose, each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, by the person in whose name same is registered on the books of the company, and the board of directors may close the stock transfer books for a period not exceeding thirty days before any meeting.

Written notice of stockholders' meetings shall be given to each stockholder by the secretary at least ten (10) days prior to elections, by mailing same, postage prepaid, to his last known post-office address.

The board of directors shall have power to establish stock transfer agencies under reasonable rules and regulations, in the cities of New Orleans, Louisiana; and Chicago, Illinois, and at such other places as they may deem necessary and the business of the corporation shall require.

Article V.—This act of incorporation may be changed, altered or modified, or this corporation dissolved in any manner provided by law; or with the assent of three-fourths (¾) of the stock present or represented at any general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose after thirty (30) days' prior notice of such meeting shall have been given by publication in one of the daily newspapers published in the city of New Orleans, by five (5) publications during said period, and such changes as may be made in reference to the capital stock shall be made in accordance with the then existing laws on the subject.

Article VI.—Whenever this corporation is dissolved, either by limitation of its charter or from any cause, its affairs shall be liquidated by three (3) commissioners to be appointed from among the stockholders at a meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose after thirty (30) days' prior notice shall have been given by the secretary to each stockholder. Said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of said corporation shall have been fully liquidated. In case of the death of either commissioner, the survivor shall continue to act.

Article VII.—No stockholder of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults thereof in any further sum than the unpaid balance due to the corporation on the shares owned by him, nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering this charter null, nor of exposing a stockholder to any liability beyond the balance due on his stock.

The subscribers hereto have each written opposite their names the number of shares subscribed for, so that this act may also serve as the original subscription list. Said subscriptions to the amount of thirty-nine thousand ($39,000.00) dollars to be paid by the conveyance of the real estate and property in which said parties are interested, described as follows, and valued by the present directors at the said amount to-wit:

A certain tract of land with improvements situated at Barataria, parish of Jefferson, state of Louisiana, designated as a portion of Plat No. 21 of Plan 89 of Selim Magner, late notary; said tract of land measuring more or less five thousand seven hundred and sixty-two (5,762) feet front on the River Ouacha or Grand Bayou Barataria, by a depth of three hundred and eighteen (318) chains and seventy-one (71) links on the line of the property of Silas Turner and two hundred and eighty-three (283) chains and twenty-one (21) links on the line of the property of John Coleman less one-half (½) arpent front on Bayou Barataria, by two hundred and eighty-three (283) chains twenty-one (21) links in depth more or less; bounded on one side by the lands now or formerly belonging to Terrence Drouet, nor or formerly the lands of Fernandez and Chapron, and on the other side by the land of the late J. P. Dautin, now or formerly the land of John Coleman, the same having been sold, however, without any guarantee as to the exact depth of said tract, containing twenty-six hundred (2600) acres; in accordance with a plan of survey made by the John A. Kruse Engineering Company.

Thus done and passed in my notarial office, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, in the presence of Allan S. Perry and Lieven De Poorter, competent witnesses of lawful age, and residing in this city, who hereunto subscribe their names, together with said parties and me, notary, on the day and date set forth in the caption hereof. Corrections and interlineations made and approved before signing.

Original signed: John S. Perry, Chicago, Ill., 75 shares; F. A. Helmer, Chicago, Ill., 195 shares; H. S. Bramwell, Lincoln, Ill., 120 shares. Witnesses: Allan S. Perry, L. De Poorter.

WM. J. FORMENTO, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages, in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of the New Orleans Plantation Co., Inc., was this day duly recorded in my office in book 1127, folio ——, New Orleans, La., December 8, 1914.

(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, D. R.

I hereby certify that the foregoing and within to be a true and correct copy of the original act of incorporation of the New Orleans Plantation Co., Inc., together with the certificate of the recorder of mortgages on file and of record in my office.

In faith whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of December, 1914.

WM. J. FORMENTO, Not. Pub.

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KILLING TIME ON THE TRAIN

Englishman Describes What One Might Call the Game of "Traveling by Ear."

A new way of passing the time on the railway train is described by a writer in the Manchester Guardian, who modestly adds that he does not think the game "as silly as putting jig-saw puzzles together."

My fellow travelers think I am asleep when I shut my eyes and lean back on the cushions of the railway compartment. But in reality I am amusing myself with a little game of my own, which I call "traveling by ear." You can only do it satisfactorily, of course, on a familiar bit of line, although it is quite interesting on a strange road. On the route I travel almost daily, I know my way very well by the sounds of the track. I can tell to a yard when we are running on an embankment, when we slide into a cutting, when we run through a station, and what station it is (this mainly by the sound of the adjacent bridge that we run under or over). The sound of a deep rock cutting is quite distinctive, and different, although there are points of resemblance, too, from the dull roar of a tunnel.

Tunnels in limestone, adds our correspondent, seem to me to have an individual and rather unpleasant sharpness—piercingness—of roar. Upward gradients slacken the pace of a train, of course, and also alter what I can only call its "footfall" noise, and when we come to the top of an incline, it seems as if the train gave a kick as if to say: "There!" ere its laboring changes into easy gliding and swifter speed on the level. On my homeward journey our driver generally slackens speed a trifle as we run over a ringing girder viaduct; then after a few yards of deep cutting, we run under a wide and shallow bridge just before the home station is reached. I time precisely my movements so as to open my eyes, rise to my feet, get my parcels off the rack, and have the window dropped exactly as the train stops.

When Roughing It Is Enjoyable.

The average man enjoys roughing it for a while if there is some one to do the rough work.—Atchison Globe.

AMENDMENTS

TO ARTICLE IV OF THE

CHARTER OF THE NEW ORLEANS LAKE SHORE LAND COMPANY

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known and remembered that on this 13th day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-ninth, before me, Alfred Charles Kammer, a notary public, duly commissioned, sworn and qualified in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared: Frank B. Hayne and Musgrove L. Morrison, respectively the president and the secretary of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company, who declared unto me, notary, that a meeting of the stockholders of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company was held on the 24th day of October, 1914, at 11 o'clock a. m., at the office of the company, in the city of New Orleans, 832 Union Street, after due notice had been given in The Times-Picayune, a newspaper published in the city of New Orleans, by due publication once a week for four weeks preceding the meeting and by a written notice sent to each stockholder mailed to him 30 days prior to the date of the meeting at the post office address designated by him in writing, said stockholders' meeting having been called for the purpose of amending Article IV of the charter of said company, providing for the issuance and sale for cash, at par, of $1,000,000.00 of preferred cumulative capital stock.

That at said meeting of stockholders, so held on the 24th day of October, 1914, at 11 o'clock a. m., it was resolved by the unanimous vote of all the stockholders present and represented at said meeting, there being present and represented at said meeting 18,724 shares, being 93.62 per cent of the total capital stock of said company, (a certified copy of the minutes of which meeting is hereto annexed), that Article IV of said charter be amended as hereinafter set forth.

And the said Frank B. Hayne and the said Musgrove L. Morrison, respectively the president and secretary of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company, further declared unto me, notary, that under due authority of said stockholders' meeting, held on October 24, 1914, they and each of them appear before me, notary, for the purpose of embodying the amendment to Article IV of the charter of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company in notarial form; and they now declare unto me, notary, that Article IV of the charter of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company shall be amended so as to read as follows, to-wit:

Article IV—The capital stock of said corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of three millions of dollars divided into and represented by thirty thousand shares of stock of the sum of one hundred dollars each. Ten thousand of such shares shall be known as preferred stock, and twenty thousand of such shares shall be known as common stock. Separate and distinct certificates shall be issued for each class of stock. The preferred stock shall be entitled to a cumulative dividend of eight per cent per annum from date of issuance and sale by the company, to be paid by preference over any dividends on the common stock, and shall be paid in preference to the common stock in case of liquidation of the affairs of the corporation. The corporation shall have the right to buy and retire the preferred stock at par and accrued cumulative dividends at any time after ninety days notice by proper resolution of the stockholders. The preferred stock shall be sold for cash only at not less than par and the proceeds applied solely to the payment of the debts of the corporation and to the promotion of the development of the company's property. The common stock shall be the now outstanding twenty thousand shares of the present stock of the company, issued for cash and for the purchase of property, which stock shall hereafter be known and designated as "common stock." All certificates for such stock shall be called in and new certificates for common stock be issued therefor.

And the said appearers further declared unto me, notary, that the original charter of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company was created by an act of incorporation passed before Abraham Goldberg, notary public, on the 17th day of February, 1908, and is recorded in the office of the recorder of mortgages for the parish of Orleans in book 1127, folio 626, and in the office of the secretary of state, at Baton Rouge, La., in book 19 of mortgages 33.

Thus done and passed in my office, in the city of New Orleans, on the day, month and year first above written, in the presence of Messrs. Kirk Abbott and Eugene Thorpe, competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names, together with the said appearers and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Original signed: Frank B. Hayne, president; M. L. Morrison, Sect.

Witnesses: Kirk Abbott, Eugene Thorpe.

AL. C. KAMMER, Not. Pub.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company, was amended and was this day duly recorded in my office, in book 1127, folio ——.

New Orleans, November 16, 1914.

(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, D. R.

I, the undersigned notary public, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original amendments to the act of incorporation of the New Orleans Lake Shore Land Company on file and on record in my office, together with the certificate from the deputy recorder of mortgages thereto attached.

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of November, 1914.

AL. C. KAMMER, Not. Pub.

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CHARTER

OF LOUISIANA MEXICAN MINING COMPANY, INC.

United States of America, State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans.

Be it known, that on this fifth day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, before me, John Marshall Quintero, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified, in and for the parish of Orleans, state of Louisiana, aforesaid, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared: the persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of the state of Louisiana, and particularly act No. 267 of the general assembly of the state of Louisiana for the year 1914, they have covenanted and agreed, and do, by these presents, covenant, agree, bind, form and constitute themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter join or become associated with them into a corporation and body politic in law, for the objects and purposes and under the agreements and stipulations following, to-wit:

Article I.—The name and style of this corporation shall be the "Louisiana Mexican Mining Company, Incorporated," and under that name it shall have and enjoy all the rights, privileges and advantages granted by law to corporations; it shall exist for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof; it shall have power and authority to contract, sue and be sued in its corporate name; to make and use a corporate seal and the same to break or alter at pleasure; to have and employ such managers, directors, officers, agents and other employees as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require or demand; to hold, receive, purchase, convey, mortgage, hypothecate or pledge property, real, personal or mixed; to issue bonds, notes and other obligations; and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the corporate management and control of its business and affairs as may be deemed necessary or expedient.

Article II.—The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of New Orleans, state of Louisiana, and all citation and other legal process shall be served on the president, and in his absence on the vice-president of said corporation. In the event of the absence of both of said officers, then said process shall be served on the secretary.

Article III.—The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be that of a general mining business, in all its branches, in the Republic of Mexico, and throughout the countries of North, South and Central America, and, to that end, to own, purchase and sell, mortgage, hypothecate, acquire and operate mining property and all other kind and character of realty throughout the countries designated; to buy and sell the products of mining property and mining equipment and to do any and all things incident to and connected with what is known as the mining business.

Article IV.—The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00), (which capital stock may be increased, from time to time, to a sum not exceeding one million dollars), divided into one thousand (1,000) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each, which shall be paid for in cash, or in installments on the call of the board of directors, or may be issued at not less than par for services rendered to or property, leases, concessions, or other property rights, actually purchased by the corporation.

All shares of stock shall be full paid and non-assessable, and all certificates of stock shall be signed by the president and secretary of this corporation. No transfer of stock shall be binding upon this corporation unless made upon its books, and no stockholder shall sell or dispose of his stock without first offering same to the corporation, who shall have the right to buy same within ten days from said offer at current or market value.

Article V.—All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and the management and control of its business and affairs shall be exercised by a board of directors composed of three stockholders, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. The directors shall be elected annually on the first Thursday of September of each year by ballot of the stockholders. Each stockholder shall be entitled, in person or by written proxy, to one vote for every share of stock owned by him. All elections shall be held under such rules and regulations as may be determined by the board of directors and after at least thirty (30) days notice shall have been given to each stockholder by depositing a notice of such meeting in the post office, properly addressed to each stockholder. The directors thus elected shall continue in office for one year or until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified. No failure to elect shall be regarded as a forfeiture of this charter. Any vacancy occurring on said board of directors shall be filled by the remaining directors for the unexpired term. Said board of directors shall, at its first meeting, elect from among its members a president, a vice-president and secretary and a treasurer. It may combine the offices of vice-president and secretary into one and may elect a secretary who need be neither a stockholder or director. Said board of directors shall have the right and power to appoint and dismiss such clerks, managers and other employees of the corporation, including the secretary who is not a stockholder or director, as conditions may justify or the business of the corporation may require. The tenure of office of all the employees of the corporation shall be during the pleasure of the board of directors.

Article VI.—No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts, faults or debts of this corporation, nor shall any mere informality in its organization have the effect of rendering this charter null or of exposing a stockholder to any liability beyond the unpaid balance due on the shares of stock owned by him.

Article VII.—This act of incorporation may be changed, modified or altered, or this corporation may be dissolved under any terms and conditions as may be provided for and set forth in the act No. 267 of 1914.

In case of the dissolution of this corporation, its business and affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners to be elected by the stockholders at a meeting which shall be called for that purpose.

Article VIII.—There shall be elected on a September day, 1915, and on a same and same day annually thereafter, the first board of directors, viz:

R. Perry Ayres, Waldemar E. Koch, L. M. Dupuy, and Adolph O. Duffield, M. D., and Walter T. Richards, M. D., shall be vice-president and secretary, and A. B. Perry, Auguste de Fontenay, and Adolph O. Duffield, M. D., shall be treasurer.

Thus done and passed in my office, in the city of New Orleans, on the day, month and year herein first above written, in the presence of Messrs. Eugene Thorpe and Kirk Abbott, competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names with the said appearers and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Original signed: R. Perry Ayres, A. B. Perry, Adolph O. Duffield, M. D., W. T. Richards, M. D., Witnesses: Eugene Thorpe, Kirk Abbott. A. B. Perry.

J. M. QUINTERO, Notary Public.

I, the undersigned recorder of mortgages in and for the parish of Orleans, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of the Louisiana Mexican Mining Company, Incorporated, was this day duly recorded in my office, in book 1127, folio ——.

New Orleans, La., November 6, 1914.

(Signed) EMILE J. LEONARD, D. R.

A true copy.

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