

An Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph, of Guelph.

WHEREAS an Association of Religious Ladies hath for sometime existed in the Town of Guelph, in the Diocese of Hamilton, in Upper Canada, under the name of "The Sisters of St. Joseph," who have formed an Institution for the reception and instruction of Orphans, and who have opened an Asylum for the relief of the poor, the sick, the aged and infirm; and whereas the said Ladies have, by their petition, prayed that the said Association may be incorporated, and in consideration of the great benefits which must arise from the said Association, 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. Thecla Buning, in religion Mother Martha; Louisa Agg, called in religion Mother Antonia; Mary Pigatt, called in religion Sister Ignatia; Catherine Laler, called in religion Sister Magdalen; and Mary Cashen, called in religion Sister Alphonsus: and such other persons as shall, under the provisions of this Act, become members of the said Association, shall be and are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporation, in deed, and in name, by the name of the "Sisters of St. Joseph, of Guelph, in the Diocese of Hamilton," in Upper Canada, and by that name shall 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 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 and immoveable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value

Preamble.

Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name and general powers.

Real property limited.

exclusive of the buildings erected and to be erected and the dependencies thereof, occupied or hereafter to be occupied by the said Corporation for the purposes thereof, and the same to sell, alienate, and dispose of and to purchase others in their stead for the same purpose, and by the said 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 Equity and places whatsoever, in as large and ample and beneficial a manner as any other Body Politic or Corporation, 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 matter whatsoever: And the Mother Superior and her Council for the time being, shall have power and authority to make and establish such Rules, Orders, and Regulations, not being contrary to this Act, 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

Sueing and being sued.

Power to make By-laws for certain purposes.