

1. The Very Reverend Vital Grandin, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Albert, and each of his successors in the said diocese in communion with the Church of Rome, shall be, and is by these presents declared and established a corporate body, in fact and in name, under the name of "La Corporation Episcopale Catholique Romaine de St. Albert," and under this name, shall have the right of succession in perpetuity, and shall have a corporate seal, and may, from time to time, by and with the advice of two members of his clergy, modify, renew, or otherwise change at pleasure such corporate seal, and may under the name aforesaid, from time to time, and during all time, have, hold, purchase or acquire by gift or purchase, and possess and enjoy for the uses particularly and generally of charities, for ecclesiastical purposes or for the purposes of education in his diocese any lands, tenements, hereditary property, rents, annuities, and all other property whatsoever, moveable or immoveable, in the said territories not exceeding in the whole six thousand acres.

2. The said corporation, under the name aforesaid, is empowered by, and with the advice hereinafter mentioned, from time to time, to sell, exchange, alienate, mortgage, let, lease or otherwise dispose of any part of any such real estate, and under the name aforesaid may sue or be sued in all Courts of Law and Equity, which now or may hereafter have jurisdiction in the said Territories, in the same way and with the same rights and advantages as all other corporations or persons whatsoever.

3. It shall be lawful for every person to whom, or in whose name, lands, tenements, or hereditary property are now or may hereafter devolve in trust, or otherwise, for the said Roman Catholic Church, to cede, sell or transfer, from time to time, by deed, all or any of the said lands or tenements to the Bishop for the time being of the aforesaid diocese, and for the said Bishop or his successors to hold the said lands for the purposes provided by this Ordinance.

4. It shall not be lawful for the said Bishop or his successors to execute any deed of sale, lease or transfer of all or of any part of the lands, tenements, hereditary property acquired or possessed by him under this Ordinance without the consent and approbation of two members of his clergy, who shall be chosen or nominated by the said Bishop, such choice or nomination, and such consent appearing on the face of every such deed, lease or transfer in writing which the parties purpose to execute, and being duly attested by the said Bishop and the said two members of his clergy, so chosen or nominated, who shall become contracting parties, and shall sign all deeds, leases or transfers as parties respectively consenting thereto.

5. On the occurrence of any vacancy in the said bishopric, or in case of the absence of the said Bishop, or of any of his successors, or of his being incapacitated by sickness, or any other cause, or unable to attend to his diocesan duties, then and in such case the member of his clergy who shall have been officially selected and nominated for the due administration of diocesan affairs, or in case of such member of the clergy not having been chosen, then such powers shall be vested in the oldest member of said clergy, under the same conditions which are conferred upon the said Bishop by this Ordinance.

6. This Ordinance shall be a public Ordinance.

A true copy of Ordinance passed by the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories, in Council, on the 2nd day of August, A.D. 1878 which I certify.

(Signed)

A. E. FORGET,

*Clerk of Council, N.W.T.*