

An Act to incorporate the "Society of Jesus," Chapter 38,
of the Province of Quebec.

(Assented to 18th May, 1887.)

Whereas the Reverend Fathers of the Society of Jesus have prayed to be constituted into a corporation; and whereas it is expedient to constitute such religious community into a body politic and corporate like the other religious communities of this Province;

Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:—

1. The "Society of Jesus" shall be a corporation composed of the Reverend Fathers Henri Hudon, Adrien Turgeon, Leonard Lowire, George Kenny, Arthur Jones, and of all persons who now or may hereafter form part of the said society, in accordance with its rules, by-laws and regulations.

Under the above name it shall have perpetual succession.

It shall have a right to have a common seal, which it may alter at will, and to appear before the courts of justice in the same manner as any person may do.

It may possess, accept and acquire under any legal title movable and immovable property, which it may sell, alienate, hypothecate, give, lease, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, by any title whatsoever; provided always that the annual revenue from the immovable property owned by the society for the purposes of revenue in any diocese, shall not exceed thirty thousand dollars.

2. The corporation shall not have the right under this Act to possess educational establishments elsewhere than in the archdioceses of Montreal and Ottawa and in the diocese of Three Rivers.

3. The corporation shall be governed in accordance with its community rules, and shall have powers to pass by-laws, rules and regulations with respect to the administration of its property, its management and internal government, the election, number and power of its officers and directors, the admission and dismissal of its members and, generally, all rules connected with the purposes of the corporation.

4. The corporate seat of the corporation shall be in the city of Montreal.

Another place in this Province, within the present limits of the archdioceses of Montreal and Ottawa and of the diocese of Three Rivers, may be selected later on by a by-law of the corporation.