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An Act to empower the School Commissioners for the Municipality of Lotbinière to obtain a decision of the Courts of Justice on a certain legacy.

WHEREAS the late Joseph Maurice Jean, *curé* of the Parish of Lotbinière, by his olograph will in the French language, dated the thirteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, did leave to the late Ambroise de la Chevrotière; a certain legacy for the purpose expressed in the said will, in the following words, to wit:—“*Pour être employé à rachever les deux tours et la maison des sœurs, et à leur procurer les autres commodités nécessaires;*” And whereas the said Parish hath not been able to compel the execution of the said legacy by the heirs, executors, administrators or *ayans cause* of the said Ambroise de la Chevrotière, in consequence of its not being invested with corporate powers; And whereas it is desirable that a decision of the proper Tribunal be had upon the said legacy, in order that justice may be rendered to whom it shall appertain:—Be it therefore enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the School Commissioners of the Municipality of Lotbinière, and their successors in office, by their name of office as such without naming them personally, and they are hereby authorized to sue for the execution of the said legacy and the said Commissioners shall be deemed to represent the said Parish as interested in the due execution of the said will, and if final judgment be rendered in their favour they shall have full power to accept and take the said legacy and to give a valid discharge therefor, and to apply it to the purposes for which the Court rendering such judgment shall in its discretion and according to a true and legal interpretation of the said Will order it to be applied.

II, Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said School Commissioners to institute any action against the said heirs, executors, administrators or *ayans cause* of the said Ambroise de la Chevrotière, until a meeting of the inhabitants of the said Parish, duly qualified to vote for the election of School Commissioners shall have been held in the said Parish; which said meeting shall be called by the said School Commission-

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School Commissioners may sue for the legacy.

Before suing the School Commissioners must be authorised to do at a meeting of the inhabitants of the Parish.