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No. 367.

(PRIVATE BILL.)

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An Act to Incorporate *The British
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WHEREAS by certain conveyances and assurances, those Preamble.
 parcels or tracts of land known as part of Lot number Two
 and three, in the Fourth Concession of the Township of Dawn, in
 that part of the Province, called Upper Canada, have been as-
 signed to John Scoble, late of the City of London, Esquire, and
 James C. Brown, of the Town of Chatham, Bricklayer, in trust for
 the purpose of Education, moral, mental and physical, of the
 coloured inhabitants of Canada, not excluding white persons and
 Indians ; And whereas the execution of the said trust would be
 greatly facilitated by the incorporation of the said John Scoble and
 James C. Brown, with other fit and proper persons for the pur-
 poses aforesaid ; Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

That the said John Scoble, the said James C. Brown, John Roaf, Certain per-
sons incorpo-
rated.
 Alexander Christie, Patrick Freeland, John Nasmith, and James
 Richardson, shall be, and is hereby constituted a body politic and
 corporate, by the name of " The British American Institute," and
 by that name shall and may sue and be sued, implead and be
 impleaded, answered and be answered unto, in all the Courts of law
 and equity whatsoever, and shall have uninterrupted succession with
 a common seal, which may by them be changed or renewed at
 their pleasure ; and also that they and their successors by the
 same name, from time to time and at all times hereafter, shall be
 able and capable of purchasing and holding to them and their suc-
 cessors, lands not exceeding . . . acres, to and for the use of
 the said Institute and of letting, conveying, and otherwise dispos-
 ing of the same ; Provided always, that the Real Estate to be Proviso as to
value of real
estate.
 held by the said body politic, shall not be of any greater yearly
 value at the time of its purchase than the sum of £

II. And be it enacted, That all the estate, right, title, interest, Certain lands
vested in the
said Corpora-
tion.
 claim and demand of the said John Scoble and James Brown, in
 or to the said parcels or tracts of land in the preamble of this Act
 mentioned, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the said
 body politic and corporate, for the purposes, and subject to the
 the powers for the letting, selling and disposing thereof, in the first
 Section of this Act contained.

First Meeting
how called.

III. And be it enacted, That the said members of the said body politic and corporate, shall hold their first meeting at such time and place as the said John Scoble and James C. Brown shall by notice in writing addressed to the said members respectively at their respective places of residence, and deposited for transmission in Her Majesty's Post Office in the Province, twenty-one days at least before the time for holding the said meeting appointed, and at such meeting or at any subsequent meeting to be held at such time and in such manner as the members present at the said first meeting may appoint and direct, it shall be lawful for the said members thereof, or a majority of those who may be in attendance at such meeting, to make all such Rules, Regulations and By-laws as they may think proper for the management of the affairs of the said Corporation, and for letting, selling, or otherwise disposing of the property thereof, and for the appointing of successors to supply the vacancies which may in any manner arise amongst the members of the said Corporation, so that the number may not at any time be reduced below five, and for the appointment of any other members of the said body politic and corporate, and generally in all other matters, to make such other Rules and Regulations, respecting the affairs of the said Institute as to them may deem meet; Provided always, that the Rules, Regulations and By-laws to be passed by the said body politic, shall be in accordance with the laws of this Province.

Power to
make By-laws

Proviso.

Public Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be held to be a Public Act.