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College.

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WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature of this Province Preamble.
that divers inhabitants thereof are engaged in establishing a College
at Richmond, in the District of Saint Francis, for the education of youth on
liberal and unsectarian principles ; And whereas it would greatly conduce
5 to the usefulness of the said College to have the same incorporated : Be
it therefore enacted, &c., as follows :

There shall be and is hereby constituted and established at Richmond, in Corporation
the Township of Shipton, in the District of Saint Francis, a body politic of St. Francis
and corporate under the name of " Saint Francis College," which Cor- College con-
10 poration shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer stituted: of
and nine Trustees, and of all the Professors of the said College, and whom to con-
shall have perpetual succession to be kept up in manner hereinafter sist.
directed, and shall have a common Seal with power to break, alter and General pow-
15 renew the same, and may in and by their corporate name, contract and ers.
be contracted with, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in all the For what pur-
Courts of law in this Province, and shall have power to acquire, hold and poses only
alienate property moveable and immoveable, provided the net annual property shall
revenue from immoveable property held by the Corporation shall not be held.
20 exceed £ and that all the property of the Corporation be For what pur-
exclusively devoted to the advancement of education in the said College poses only
and the Schools connected therewith. property shall

II. The following persons shall be the first Trustees of the said Corpor- First Trustees
ation : Richard Norris Webber, Chester Bissel Cleveland, William Hoste Webb, George Knight Forster, Thomas Tait, William Brooke, Udolphus
25 Aylmer, Thomas Christie and Thomas Stele—and one third of them and Term of office.
their successors in office shall retire at the end of each year after this Act shall go into effect, and shall be replaced by a like number of persons to
be annually elected by a majority of the votes of the President, Vice- By whom
30 President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees remaining in office, Professors elected after-
of the College and Subscribers to the Stock of the Corporation, of not less wards.
than twelve pounds ten shillings each.

III. The Trustees shall decide by lot which of their number shall retire Order of re-
at the end of the first and second year ; and shall have power to make and tiring.
establish By-laws (not inconsistent with the laws of this Province, and By-laws.
35 possessing no exclusive sectarian character) conducive to the advancement of education in the said College or Schools, or to the good government
thereof, or of the officers and teachers thereof, or to the proper manage- ment of the property of the said Corporation.

IV. The Trustees shall appoint the President, who shall be *ex officio* President.
40 Chairman and one of the Trustees ; and the President and Trustees (of Appointment
whom seven shall concur in any appointment or removal) shall appoint of officers.

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and remove for reason of immorality, default or incapacity, the Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Professors, and other officers and teachers or agents of the College: And this Act shall be held to take effect on the day of appointing the first President.

Commencement of Act.

V. The President with consent of the Trustees and Professors or of two thirds of them, shall have power to give and confer all such diplomas, degrees, honors and licences, as are usually conferred in Colleges or Universities, having in all cases due regard to the morals and merits of the candidates therefor: Provided that this section shall not be acted upon until such time as the Governor of this Province shall signify that the College is in such a state of educational efficiency as to render it expedient that they should then exercise that power.

Proviso: when only such power shall be used.

Legislature may amend this act.

VI. The present Act shall be altered or amended whenever sufficient cause shall, in the estimation of the Legislature, exist for so doing.

College, &c., may be made Normal or Model School.

VII. The Governor of the Province may, if he shall be so advised, declare the said College or any school under the control of or connected with the same, to be a Normal or Model School, under any existing or future Acts of this Province.

Visitors.

College, &c., subject to general order, &c., of Department of Education.

VIII. The Chief Superintendent of Education in Lower Canada and the principal officer in the Department of Education in the Province shall be visitors of the Corporation. And the said College and Schools shall be at all times liable to all such orders, rules and regulations as may be made by law or by the Department of Education, for the direction and regulation of similar institutions.

Public Act

IX. This Act shall be held to be a Public Act.