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An Act to Incorporate the Sisters of St.
Joseph, Guelph.

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An Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph, of Guelph.

WHEREAS an Association of Religious Ladies hath for sometime existed in the Town of Guelph, in the Diocese of Hamilton, in Upper Canada, under the name of "The Sisters of St. Joseph," who have formed an Institution for the reception and instruction of Orphans, and who have opened an Asylum for the relief of the poor, the sick, the aged and infirm; and whereas the said Ladies have, by their petition, prayed that the said Association may be incorporated, and in consideration of the great benefits which must arise from the said Association, it is expedient to grant their prayer: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Thecla Buning, in religion Mother Martha; Louisa Agg, called in religion Mother Antonia; Mary Pigatt, called in religion Sister Ignatia; Catherine Laler, called in religion Sister Magdalen; and Mary Cashen, called in religion Sister Alphonsus: and such other persons as shall, under the provisions of this Act, become members of the said Association, shall be and are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporate, in deed, and in name, by the name of the "Sisters of St. Joseph, of Guelph, in the Diocese of Hamilton," in Upper Canada, and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall have power from time to time to alter, renew, or change such common seal at their pleasure, and shall by the same name from time to time and at all times hereafter be able to purchase, acquire, hold, possess, and enjoy, and to have, take and receive to them and their successors, to and for the uses and purposes of the said Corporation, any lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and real and immoveable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value

Preamble.

Certain persons incorporated.

Corporate name and general powers.

Real property limited.

exclusive of the buildings erected and to be erected and the dependencies thereof, occupied or hereafter to be occupied by the said Corporation for the purposes thereof, and the same to sell, alienate, and dispose of and to purchase others in their stead for the same purpose, and by the said name shall and may be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in all Courts of Law and Equity and places whatsoever, in as large and ample and beneficial a manner as any other Body Politic or Corporation, or as any persons able or capable in law may or can sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in any matter whatsoever: And the Mother Superior and her Council for the time being, shall have power and authority to make and establish such Rules, Orders, and Regulations, not being contrary to this Act, nor to the laws in force in this Province, as shall be deemed useful or necessary for the interests of the said Corporation, and for the management thereof, and for the admission of members into the said Corporation, and from time to time

Sueing and being sued.

Power to make By-laws for certain purposes.

to alter, repeal and change such Rules, Orders, and Regulations, or any of them, or those of the said institution in force at the time of the passing of this Act. and shall and may do, execute, and perform all and singular other the matters and things relating to the said Corporation and the management thereof, or which shall or may appertain thereto, 5 subject, nevertheless, to the rules, regulations, stipulations and provisions hereinafter prescribed and established.

Application of revenues of Corporation.

2. Provided always, that the rents, revenues, issues, and profits of all property, real or personal, held by the said Corporation, shall be appropriated and applied solely to the maintenance of the members of the 10 Corporation, the construction and repairs of the buildings requisite for the purposes of the said Corporation, and to the advancement of education, and the payment of the expenses to be incurred for objects legitimately connected with or depending on the purposes aforesaid.

Property and By-laws of the Association transferred and applied to the Corporation.

3. All and every the estate and property, real or personal, belonging 15 to or hereafter to be acquired by the members or the said Association as such, and all debts, claims, and rights whatsoever due to them in that quality shall be and are hereby vested in the Corporation hereby established, and the rules, orders, and regulations now made or to be made for the management of the said Association, shall be and continue to be 20 the rules, orders, and regulations of the said Corporation until altered or repealed in the manner herein provided.

Superior and Council may appoint Attorneys, officers, &c.

4. The aforesaid Mother Superior and Council of the said Corporation for the time being shall have power to appoint such Attorney or Attorneys, Administrator or Administrators of the property of the Cor- 25 poration, and such Officers and Teachers and servants of the said Corporation as shall be necessary for the well conducting of the business and affairs thereof, and to allow to them such compensation for their services respectively as shall be reasonable and proper; and all officers so appointed shall be capable of exercising such other powers and authority for the 30 well governing and ordering of the affairs of the said Corporation as shall be prescribed by the rules, orders and regulations of the said Corporation.

Non-liability of members for debt of Corporation.

5. Nothing herein contained shall have the effect or be construed to have the effect of rendering all or any of the said several persons herein- 35 before mentioned, or all or any of the members of the said Corporation, or any person whatsoever individually liable or accountable for or by reason of any debt, contract, or security incurred or entered into for or by reason of the Corporation or for or on account or in respect of any matter or thing whatsoever in any way relating to the said Corporation. 40

General power to make By-laws

6. The said Corporation shall have full power and authority from time to time to make By-laws, Rules, and Regulations, not being contrary to this Act or the laws of this Province, for the government of said Institution, and of the officers, servants, and others connected therewith, and the children, sick, poor, and old persons received therein, and may from 45 time to time repeal or alter the same and make others in their stead, and shall also have full power and authority to appoint and remove the officers, servants, and persons employed in and about the said Institution, and to apprentice or bind out to any healthy trade, business, or occupation, the children received into the said Institution, and shall have and 50 may exercise over and with respect to them such powers as their parents, if living, would have and might exercise.

Officers binding out children as apprentices.

7. It shall be the duty of the said Corporation to lay before each branch of the Legislature within thirty days after the beginning of each session, a detailed statement of the real or immoveable property or estate held by virtue of the present Act, and the revenue arising there-
5 from.

8: This Act shall be deemed to be a public Act, and the Interpretation Act shall apply to it.