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No. 50.

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1st Session, 5th Parliament, 18 Victoria, 1854.

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(PRIVATE BILL.)

**BILL.**

An Act to incorporate the *College Mas-*  
*son* at Terrebonne.

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Received and Read First time, Wednesday, 27th  
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An Act to incorporate the *College Masson* at Terrebonne.

**W**HEREAS there is now and hath been for some years past, in the Parish of St. Louis de Terrebonne, in the County of Terrebonne, an Educational Institution, known by the name of the *College Masson*, at which a very large number of young persons have received a course of instruction, fitting them for commercial, agricultural and industrial pursuits; and whereas, the Right Reverend, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal, and the Superior, Director, Procurator, and Professors of the said Institution, together with a number of the Inhabitants of the said Parish and County, have represented that the laudable objects of the said Institution would be much better effected if it were incorporated, with the powers hereinafter mentioned, and have prayed such incorporation, and in consideration of the great public benefit to be derived from the said Institution, it is expedient to grant the prayer of their Petition: Be it there enacted, &c., as follows:

15 I. There shall be, and is hereby constituted, in the said Parish of St. Louis de Terrebonne, a body politic and corporate in deed and in name, which shall be called and known by the name of the *Collège Masson*, and shall be composed and consist of the Superior of the said College for the time being, the Director of the said College for the time being, the Procurator of the said College for the time being, the Professors of the said College for the time being, the Rector (Curé) of the said Parish of St. Louis for the time being, and the acting Churchwarden of the said Parish for the time being, and the said Corporation shall by the name aforesaid of the *College Masson* 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 and capable 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 or immovable property and estate, situate, lying and being within this Province, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of two thousand pounds currency 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 places whatsoever, in as large, ample and beneficial a manner as any other body politic or corporate, or as any person 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 any majority of the members of the corporation for the time being, shall have power and authority to make and establish such By-laws, 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, to alter, repeal and change the

Preamble.

Corporation established.

Of whom to consist.

Corporate name and powers.

Amount of real property limited.

By-Laws, &c.

said By-laws, 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; subject, nevertheless, to the Rules, Regulations, and provisions hereinafter prescribed and established: 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 Corporation, the construction and repair of the buildings requisite for the purposes of the said Corporation, and to the advancement of education by the instruction of youth, and the payment of the expenses to be incurred for objects legitimately connected with or depending on the purposes aforesaid.

Proviso:  
Revenues and property to be applied solely to the purposes of education,

Property, &c. of the Institution transferred to the College.

By-law, of the same to remain in force until repealed, &c.

II. All and every the estate and property, real and personal belonging to, or hereafter to be acquired by the Members of the said Institution 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 By-laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations, now made for the management of the said Institution, shall be and continue to be the By-laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation, until altered or repealed in the manner herein provided.

Corporation may appoint attorneys, officers, teachers, &c,

Powers of persons so appointed.

III. The Members of the said Corporation for the time being, or a majority of them shall have power to appoint such Attorney or Attorneys, administrator or administrators of the property of the Corporation, and such Officer 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 well governing and ordering of the affairs of the said Corporation, as shall be prescribed by the By-laws, Rules, Orders and Regulations of the said Corporation.

Annual Report to be laid before Parliament

IV. It shall be the duty of the said Corporation, to lay before each branch of the Provincial Legislature within fifteen days after the beginning of each Session, a detailed statement of the number of Members of the said Corporation, the number of Teachers employed in the various branches of instruction, the number of Scholars under instruction, and the course of instruction pursued, and of the real or immoveable property or estate held by virtue of the present Act, and of the revenue arising therefrom.

Rights of the Crown, &c. saved.

V. Nothing herein shall affect, or be construed to affect in any manner or way, the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, or of any person or persons, or of any body politic or corporate, such only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

Public Act.

VI. This Act shall be deemed to be a Public Act.