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An Act to amend and explain the act 12 Victoria, chapter 137, and the act 57 Victoria, chapter 87, containing the charter of the corporation of *Les Sœurs de Sainte-Croix et des Sept Douleurs*

[Assented to 28th February, 1907]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the corporation of *Les Sœurs de Sainte-Croix et des Sept Douleurs*, has by its petition, represented that its charter should be amended so as to empower it to hypothecate its immoveable property ;

That since it has been incorporated, in eighteen hundred and forty-nine, it has always had houses in which it has imparted instruction to youth, and that, by thus devoting itself to teaching, it has assured the success of its work ;

That doubts have arisen as to its powers to hypothecate and borrow moneys to be employed in paying for the necessary buildings for the development of its work ;

That it has effected loans and granted hypothecs on its property which must be maintained in their full force and effect ;

Whereas it has prayed that its powers to hypothecate and borrow be clearly defined in that respect, and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition ;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows :

12 V., c. 137, s. 1, replaced, by the following :

Persons incorporated

“ **1.** Sœur Marie du Sauveur, by birth Aglaé Merineau de la Chaptais ; Sœur Marie de Jésus mourant, by birth Renée David ; Sœur Marie du Carmel, by birth Emélie Fortier ; Sœur Marie-Magdeleine, by birth Marie Goyer ; Sœur M. de St-Augustin, by birth Zoé Boyer, and such other persons as shall, under the provisions of this act, become members of the said institution, shall be, and are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, in deed and in name, by the name of *La Corporation des Sœurs de Ste-Croix, et des Sept Douleurs*, and by such 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 and capable to hold, borrow, sign bills of exchange and promissory notes, possess, accept and acquire by any legal title, moveable and immoveable property ; to sell, alienate, hypothecate, assign, lease,

Name.

Powers, &c.

transfer and exchange or otherwise dispose of the same by any title whatsoever, on condition that the total value of such immovable property according to the valuation roll, or valuation rolls in force, and situate in the Province of Quebec, and held and possessed by the said sisters as owners, shall not exceed two million dollars; provided, however, that the annual revenue of the said immoveable so possessed shall not be employed for purposes other than those legitimately connected with the above mentioned purposes; 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 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 any majority of the members of the corporation 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 the 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 said 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 and cause to be done executed and performed, 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, stipulations and provisions hereinafter prescribed and established."

2. The following section is added after section 1 of the act Id., s. added after s. 1.
12 Victoria, chapter 137 :

" **1a.** The signatures of the general superioress or of her Persons who assistant or assistants, constituting the council of the corpora- may sign for tion, or of any person authorized by resolution of the said corporation. council, shall be sufficient to bind the corporation."

3. The following section is added after section 7 of the act Id., section added after s. 7.
12 Victoria, chapter 137 :

" **7a.** All acts done by the said sisters since they have been Certain acts established in this Province, shall have the same validity as if ratified. the present act had been in force on the date when such acts were done."

" The provisions of this section shall not affect the rights Proviso. of third parties nor pending cases."

4. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.