



CHAPTER 57.

An Act to incorporate the Association of the Sisters
of Charity of Providence in British Columbia.

[23rd April, 1892.]

WHEREAS Sister Rodrigue, of the City of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, Superioress of the Charitable Order or Association known as the Sisters of Charity of Providence in British Columbia; Sister Monaldi and Sister Constance, both of the same place, and members of the said Association (acting on behalf of the said Association), have by their petition represented that the said Association, of which they are members, has existed for six years in the said Province of British Columbia, having for its object the care of the sick, the relief of the needy and suffering humanity, the education and care of orphans and destitute children, the carrying on of schools, orphanages, and hospitals; and that the said Association now has in operation in the said Province of British Columbia an hospital known as the St. Mary's Hospital, and proposes to establish and carry on other hospitals and schools and orphanages: Preamble.

And whereas the members of the said Association have, by the said petition presented in their name, prayed that the said Association may be invested with corporate powers:

And whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer:

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

1. The said Sister Rodrigue, Sister Constance, and Sister Monaldi, and such other persons as are now members of the said Association in the Province of British Columbia, or shall hereafter become members thereof, shall be, and they are hereby constituted and declared to be, a Incorporation.

body politic and corporate, by the style and title of "The Sisters of Charity of Providence in British Columbia" (hereinafter called the Corporation).

Lands, etc., vested in Corporation.

2. All lands, tenements, and hereditaments and property, and all schools, orphanages and hospitals now belonging to and used, held, occupied, possessed or enjoyed by the said Corporation, shall be and the same are hereby declared to be vested in the Corporation for the purposes thereof.

Power to acquire and sell property.

3. The Corporation may from time to time, and at all times hereafter, acquire and hold as purchasers, for the general purposes of the Corporation, any lands, tenements or hereditaments, and personal property, in the Province of British Columbia, and the same or any part thereof, from time to time, may sell or exchange, mortgage, lease, let or otherwise dispose of, and with the proceeds arising therefrom, from time to time acquire other lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and other property, real or personal, for the use and purposes of the Corporation.

Appropriation of revenues, etc.

4. The revenues, issues and profits of all property, real or personal, held by the Corporation, shall be appropriated and applied solely to the maintenance of the members of the Corporation, and of the institutions carried on by the Corporation, and to the construction and repair of buildings, and the acquisition of property, real and personal, requisite for the purposes of the Corporation, and for the advancement of education and religion, and for the purposes of charity and benevolence.

By-laws.

5. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to make by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not contrary to the laws of the Province of British Columbia, for the government and proper administration of the affairs and property of the Corporation, and renew the same from time to time.

Head office.

6. The head office of the Corporation shall be at New Westminster, or such other place in the Province of British Columbia as may, from time to time, be determined by the by-laws of the Corporation.

Appointment of officers, etc.

7. The Corporation shall have the power to appoint such officers, agents, and attorneys of the Corporation as may from time to time be deemed necessary, and also to remove such officers, agents, and attorneys at pleasure: Provided that until others shall be elected, the present officers of the Association aforesaid shall be those of the Corporation constituted by this Act.

Members not individually liable for debts, etc.

8. Nothing herein contained shall have the effect, or be construed to have the effect, of rendering all or any of the several persons hereinbefore mentioned, or all or any of the said members of the Corpora-

tion, or any person whatsoever, individually liable or accountable for or by reason of any debt or obligation incurred or entered into for or on account of the Corporation, or for or on account or in respect of any matter or thing whatsoever relating to the Corporation.

9. If in or by any will, grant, conveyance, assignment, deed of gift, or other instrument, any property, real or personal, is expressed to be devised, bequeathed, granted, conveyed, assigned or given to any of the hospitals, schools or orphanages, by the name by which such hospital, school or orphanage is commonly or usually known or designated, such devise, legacy, grant, conveyance, assignment or gift shall not fail or become inoperative merely because or by reason of the devise, legacy, grant, conveyance, assignment or gift not being made to the Corporation by its proper corporate name, but where any devise, legacy, grant, conveyance, assignment or gift shall be made to any particular hospital, school or orphanage owned or operated by the Corporation, by its common or usual name or designation, or by any name or designation by which the intention to devise, grant, assign, bequeath or give to the hospital, orphanage or school manifestly appears, then the said devise, legacy, grant, conveyance, assignment or gift may be taken, held and accepted by the Corporation for the benefit of the particular hospital, school or orphanage named, subject, however, to any trust contained in the said will, grant, conveyance, assignment or deed of gift affecting the same. Legacies or gifts to Corporation.

10. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Sisters of Short title. Charity Act, 1892."

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