

CHAPTER XLVII.

An Act to Incorporate the St. John Seminary.

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Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. That the members of the religious order of St. Benedict, Demitri Marogna, Cornelius Wittman, Brune Riss, Alexius Roetzer, and their associates and successors in office, Incorporation which order is instituted for scientific, educational and ecclesiastical purposes, be a body corporate and politic, to be known by the name and style of "Order of St. Benedict," and by that name shall have perpetual succession.

SEC. 2. The principal object of this politic and corporate Objects body shall be the promotion of the instruction and education of youths, to the acquirement of which end the corporators named in this act shall be hereby authorized to establish and erect an institution, or seminary, in Stearns county, on that portion of St. Cloud City, surveyed, platted and recorded as Rothkopss' Addition to St. Cloud, to be known by the name and style of "St John's Seminary."

SEC. 3. This institution shall be under the supervision of said order of St. Benedict in Minnesota, and shall be conducted by a President, Secretary and Procurator, which Officers offices the corporators shall hold for the first time themselves, after whose retirement from office the new officers shall be appointed by the Superiors of said order in Minnesota. The herein named officers shall also always act as Trustees of said Seminary.

SEC. 4. This politic and corporate body shall be empowered, by its representatives, with the rights as such, of suing Rights and privileges and being sued, of contracting and being contracted with, of purchasing, holding and selling real and personal estate, of making and using a common seal, and altering the same at pleasure: *Provided*, That such property, including real, personal and mixed, shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 5. The above named corporators, and their successors in office, shall be managers of said sums of money, real Managers estate or goods, that may be donated or willed for the purposes of this corporation.

Donations—
Buildings

SEC. 6. The proceeds of all donations of whatever nature and whatever source, shall be and remain a perpetual fund, and shall be called "the St. John's Seminary fund." The trustees of this Seminary are authorized and empowered to expend such portions of the fund as may come under their control, in the erection of suitable buildings, and for the purchase of every kind of scientific apparatus, such as they may deem expedient for the object of said institution.

Enact by-laws

SEC. 7. The said trustees shall have power to enact by-laws for the government and regulation of the said Seminary, to appoint and employ teachers, to define their duties, and to determine the amount of their respective salaries; and no student shall be required to attend the religious worship of any particular denomination, except as specified by the student, his parent or guardian.

Exempt from
taxation

SEC. 8. That the real estate and personal property of said corporation shall be exempt from taxation, as long as the same shall be used, conducted and employed for the purposes defined in this act.

Inspection

SEC. 9. That the Catholic Bishop, Cretin, of St. Paul, and his successors in office, shall exercise according to the rules of the Catholic church, the right of inspection of said institution.

Take effect

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

J. W. FURBER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN B. BRISBIN,

President of the Council.

APPROVED—March sixth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, MINNESOTA, }

W. A. GORMAN.

SAINT PAUL, March 10, 1856. }

I certify the above to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

J. J. McCULLOUGH,

Acting Secretary.

CHAPTER XLVIII.

An Act to Incorporate the Town of Weston, and for other purposes.

- SECTION 1 Land embraced in Town Site.
2 The Town Council.
3 Created a body corporate—Powers.
4 Powers and duties.
5 Duty of President and Secretary.
6 Deed lots to all persons entitled.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That so much land in the county of Meeker,