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An Act to constitute the Hector and Churchwardens of the Parish of Quebec, a Corporation for the management of the Finlay Asylum at Quebec. Assented to 10th June, 1857.

Whereas the late Miss Margaret Finlay, of Quebec, who departed ibis life in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, did, by her last will and testament, bequeath to the right Reverend George Jehosaphat Mountain, D, D., Lord Bishop of Quebec, the sum of two hundred pounds currency, to be at his absolute disposal for the benefit of the poor belonging to the communion of the Church of England in Quebec, which sum, by subsequent accumulation, has enabled him, the said Bishop, to acquire a property in the City of Quebec, with a wooden house thereon erected, designed, with the aid of further funds which shall for such purpose be available, to form the commencement of an asylum for the aged and infirm, or otherwise disabled persons and distressed widows, being of the communion of the Church of England aforesaid, forever, under the name and title of the t: Finlay Asylum of Quebec And whereas it is expedient that provision should be made by law for the due and efficient management of the said asylum, in connexion with the parochial authorities of the Church of England in Quebec: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- The said Asylum shall be a corporate institution for the purposes mentioned in the Preamble of this Act, and the body corporate governing the same shall be the Rector and Church-wardens of the parish of Quebec according to the rites of the said Church of England, to wit, the Right Reverend George Jehosaphat Mountain, D, D., aforesaid, Rector, William Godfrey Wurtele, and Edward Poston, Esquires, Churchwardens of the said parish, and the successors of the same in their respective offices: And the said body corporate shall, under the said name of the "Finlay Asylum of Quebec," be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and shall have the other corporate powers vested in corporations by the Interpretation Act, and shall have power from time to time to make such By-laws and Regulations for the better government of the said Asylum as shall be required or seem beneficial, and to alter or repeal the same and make others in their stead; Provided always, that, the same be not contrary to the laws of the Province of Canada, nor to this Act; and shall also have power to hold, for the benefit of the said Asylum, property, moveable or immoveable: Provided always, that the real property to be held at any time by the said Corporation shall be such only as shall be required for the actual use and occupation of the Corporation, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and that all the property of the said Corporation, real or personal, shall be applied solely to the purposes aforesaid, and to no other use or purpose whatever.
- II. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.