

Provincial Statues of Canada, passed in the year 1845. Montreal: Stewart Derbishire & George Desbarats, 1845.

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An Act to authorize the Community of Ladies, called Les Soeurs de la Congrégation Notre Dame de Montreal, to acquire and hold additional real or personal property to a certain amount. (17th March, 1845.)

Whereas the Community of Ladies known by the name of Les Soeurs de la Congrégation Notre Dame, established at Montreal, have by their Petition to the Legislature, prayed that the said Community may be empowered to hold property to a certain amount over and above that which they now possess; And whereas by reason of the great usefulness of the said Institution it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, "An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Superior of the said Community and her Successors in office to acquire and receive, by donation, devise, or otherwise, and to hold for the use of the said Community, by the name of Les Soeurs de la Congregation de Notre Dame de Montreal, and according to the Rules and Bye-Laws of that Institution, any kind of real property whatever lying within this Province, or any constituts or ground rents secured upon any such property, or any sums of money in the public funds of the United Kingdom or secured by debentures on the public revenue of this Province, or any other species of property whatsoever, producing in the whole a fixed and permanent income not exceeding five thousand pounds, currency, per annum, over and above all property legally held by or for the use of the said Community at the time of the passing of this Act, and to sell or alienate the said property (as well such as the Community now hold as such as may be acquired as aforesaid hereafter,) and to purchase and acquire other property of what kind soever in lieu thereof, provided the whole amount of income derived from the property to be so holden under the authority of this Act shall not at any lime exceed the said sum of five thousand pounds, currency; any thing in the laws commonly called the Laws of Mortmain, or in any Act or Law, to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided also, that a detailed account of the property hereafter so holden under the authority of this Act, and of the revenues arising therefrom shall be submitted every year to each of the three branches of the Legislature, during the first fifteen days of each session thereof.