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An Act to incorporate Trinity College. 2d August, 1851.

Whereas it has been represented to the Legislature of this Province, that divers inhabitants of the said Province have used their efforts to establish a College in connexion with the United Church of England and Ireland, in the City of Toronto, under the style and title of Trinity College, and are engaged in erecting and establishing the same; And whereas it would tend greatly to advance and extend, the usefulness of the said College, and to promote the purpose for which it was established, that it should be incorporated: 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, and 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 there shall be, and there is hereby constituted and established at the City of Toronto, a body politic and corporate, under the name of Trinity College, which corporation shall consist of—Firstly: The Lord Bishop of Toronto, or in case of the division of the said Diocese, then the Bishops of any Dioceses into which the Diocese of Toronto may hereafter be divided. Secondly, the Trustees of the said Trinity College; and, Thirdly, the College Council of the said Trinity College, not less than three in number; which said Trustees and the Members of the said College Council shall be named in the first instance by the Lord Bishop of Toronto, and shall, in the event of their death, removal from the Province, dismissal from office, or resignation, be replaced by other persons, to be named in like manner, or in such other manner as may from time to time be directed by any statute of the said College to be passed for that purpose, and so on continually for ever.

II. And be it enacted, That such Corporation shall have perpetual succession, and may have a Common Seal, with power to change, alter, break, and renew the same, when and as often as they shall think proper; and the said Corporation may, under the same name, contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted, in all Courts and places whatsoever in this Province, and shall have full power to make and establish such and so many rules, orders and regulations (not being contrary to the laws of the Country or this Act) as they shall deem useful or necessary, as well concerning the system of education in as for the conduct and government of the said College, and of a preparatory School connected with or dependent on the same, and of the Corporation thereof, and for the superintendence, advantage and improvement of all the property moveable or immoveable, belonging to, or which shall hereafter belong to the said Corporation; and shall have power to take, under any legal title whatsoever, and to hold for the said College, without any further authority, license, or letters of mortmain, all land and property moveable and immoveable, which may hereafter be sold, ceded, exchanged, given, bequeathed, or granted to the said Corporation, or to sell, alienate, convey, let or lease the same if need be: Provided that the total yearly revenue from the property so acquired,

shall not at any time exceed the sum of Five Thousand Pounds currency; and the said Corporation shall further have the right of appointing an Attorney or Attorneys for the management of its affairs and all other rights necessarily incident to a body corporate: Provided always, that no rule, order or regulation which shall be made and established by the said Corporation in manner aforesaid, shall be of any force or effect, until the same shall have been sanctioned and confirmed by the said Lord Bishop or Bishops as aforesaid.

III. And be it enacted, That all the property which shall at any time belong to the said Corporation, as well as the revenues thereof, shall at all times be exclusively applied and appropriated to the advancement of education in the said College, or a preparatory School connected with or dependent on the same, and to no other object, institution or establishment whatever.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said Corporation at all times, when they may be called upon so to do by the Governor of this Province, to render an account in writing of their property, in which shall be set forth in particular the income by them derived from property held under this Act, and the source from which the same has been derived, also the number of Members of the said Corporation, the number of Teachers employed in the various branches of instruction, the number of Scholars under instruction, and the course of instruction pursued.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be considered a Public Act, by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and Officers of Justice, and by all other persons whomsoever, and shall be judicially taken notice of without being specially pleaded.

VI. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not extend to weaken, diminish or extinguish the rights and privileges of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, nor of any other person or persons, body politic or corporate, excepting only such rights as are hereby expressly altered or extinguished.