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An Act to incorporate the *Sœurs de la Présentation*. Assented to 30th May, 1855.

Whereas an Association hath existed for several years past in the Parish of Ste. Marie de Monnoir, in the County of Rouville, in this Province, under the name of the *Sœurs de la Présentation*, the object whereof is the education of persons of the female sex and the exercise of works of Christian benevolence; And whereas the said Association is composed of the persons hereinafter named, and others, who have set forth by their Petition that the incorporation of the said Association would increase and secure the advantages resulting therefrom, and have prayed that they and their successors may be incorporated in conformity with the regulations and provisions hereinafter mentioned: 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, as follows:

- I. Marie St. Maurice Borgel, Marie St. Marc l'Etoile, Marie du Bon Pasteur Roman, Flavie Messier, Adélaïde Tétreau, and Marcelline Tétreau, and such other persons as now are or shall under the provisions of this Act, and the By-laws of the said Association, be or become members thereof, shall be and they are hereby constituted a Corporation under the name of the *Sœurs de la Présentation*, and shall, be entitled to acquire, hold, possess, take and receive for the purposes of the said Corporation, any lands, tenements or hereditaments, and real or immoveable property lying within this Province, for the actual use and occupation of the said Corporation, and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of, and acquire others in their stead for the purposes above mentioned.
- II. All and every the estate, real and personal, belonging to the said Association, and which the said Association, or the members thereof, as such, may hereafter acquire, and all debts, claims and demands due to the said Association, shall be and they are hereby vested in the said Corporation hereby constituted, and the said Corporation shall be liable for all debts due by or claims against the said Association, and the said Corporation shall, when thereunto required by the Governor, lay before him a statement of the property held by them, with the value thereof, also of the expenditure, debts and claims of the Corporation, and the moneys then in their hands, and the property of the Corporation shall be applied to no other purpose than that mentioned in the Preamble.
- III. The By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Association in force at the time of the passing of this Act, not being contrary to this Act, or to any other Act, or Law in force in Lower Canada, shall be and continue to be the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Corporation until modified,

altered or repealed by the said Corporation: and the officers of the said Association at the time of the passing of this Act, and each of them, shall continue to fulfil their respective duties as Officers of the said Corporation, and to manage and conduct the affairs thereof until others shall be appointed in their stead, under the said By-laws, Rules and Orders.

IV. It shall be the duty of the said Corporation to lay before the Governor, in the month of January, in each year, a detailed statement of 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, and of the real or immoveable property or estate, and of all personal estate or property, held by virtue of this Act, and of the revenue arising therefrom.

V. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.