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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1850.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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## Chapter 374.

An act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Trustees.

SECT. 1. Thomas Jameson, John Waterman, Daniel C. Emery, Caleb Bradley, Toppan Robie, Jacob Smith, James Irish, Josiah Pierce, Samuel Stephenson, Carleton Hurd, John W. Chickering, William Bradbury, Asa Palmer, Seth Storer and John R. Adams, the present trustees of said Gorham Academy, incorporated March fifth, eighteen hundred and three, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated as the trustees of the Maine Female Seminary, and shall have all the rights and powers incident to similar corporations.

Corporate name.

SECT. 2. Said seminary shall be devoted exclusively to the education of females, and no male pupil shall be received therein.

Devoted to the education of females exclusively.

Located at Gorham.

SECT. 3. The seminary hereby created shall be located in the town of Gorham, in the county of Cumberland, on the same ground now occupied by Gorham Academy.

Application of provisions of act of incorporation.

SECT. 4. All the provisions of the act of incorporation mentioned in the first section of this act, shall be applicable to the incorporation hereby created, so far as the same can be applied consistent with the intentions of this act.

Duty of trustees relative to accepting this act.

SECT. 5. It shall be the duty of the trustees of Gorham Academy, within three months from the passage of this act, to assemble in a meeting duly and legally called, and consider the question of accepting this act, and if a majority shall, then and there, vote to accept the same, they shall forthwith file with the secretary of state a certificate signed by such majority, and from the day of filing the same all powers granted by said act of eighteen hundred and three to the trustees of said Gorham Academy shall cease, and this act shall be in force, and all property vested in the trustees of the Gorham Academy, shall then immediately vest in the trustees of the Maine Female Seminary.

If accepted, certificate to be filed with the secretary of state.

Legislature may alter or amend this act after acceptance.

SECT. 6. The legislature shall have the right to alter or amend this act at any time after the acceptance of the same as aforesaid.

Land agent authorized to convey to said trustees two townships of land.

SECT. 7. When the trustees aforesaid shall have accepted the provisions of this act and filed a certificate with the secretary of state as aforesaid, the land agent is hereby authorized and directed to convey to said trustees a quantity of land equal to two townships from any lands held in severalty by this state, and the funds arising therefrom shall be held by the trustees, in trust, to carry out the intentions of this act.

Funds arising therefrom to be held in trust.

[Approved August 20, 1850.]