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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE.

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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**Chapter 495.**

An act to separate the Seminary Department from Bates College and incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary.

## Preamble.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Maine did, on the sixteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary; and whereas, by a subsequent act, approved January nineteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, the name of the said Maine State Seminary was changed to that of Bates College, and its powers were enlarged; and whereas, at the last annual meeting of the president and trustees of said college, held in the month of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, the said president and trustees unanimously voted to separate the seminary department from the said college and reorganize the former as the Maine State Seminary; therefore, to carry out the terms of said separation,

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

## Corporators.

SECT. 1. Ebenezer Knowlton, Oren B. Cheney, Dexter Waterman, Lyman Nichols, Benjamin F. Hayes, Levi W. Gilman, William H. Littlefield, Alonzo Garcelon, John W. Perkins, Abial M. Jones, Samuel Farnham, John A. Lowell, Henry Williamson, Nelson Dingley, Jr., Eli Edgcomb, James Wood, Horatio G. Garcelon, Roscoe M. Jordan, Rufus Deering, and Reuben S. Hunt, their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body

## Corporate name and powers.

politic and corporate, under the name of The Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, and by that name shall have power to prosecute and defend suits at law, to have and use a common seal and to change the same at pleasure; and to take and hold for the objects of their association, by gift, grant, bequest or otherwise, any estate, real or personal, the annual income of which shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

## Income.

## Purpose.

SECT. 2. All property and estate, real and personal, which may at any time, by donation or otherwise, come into possession of said trustees, in their corporate capacity, shall be faithfully applied to the promotion of education by maintaining a literary institution, under the name of the Maine State Seminary, in Lewiston, in the county of Androscoggin, in this state.

## Powers of trustees.

SECT. 3. The trustees aforesaid may adopt such rules, regulations, by-laws and courses of study, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the state, as they may deem expedient for the management of their affairs and the prosperity of said seminary; may fill all vacancies occurring in their board; may remove any member whenever he shall in their judgment, by reason of age or otherwise, become disqualified for discharging the duties of his office; may choose all officers and teachers necessary for the use-

fulness and advantage of said seminary, and remove the same at pleasure; and they are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges incident to similar corporations; and they are further authorized to sell and convey any estate, real or personal, belonging to them in their corporate capacity, which may not be needed for the purposes of the said seminary.

SECT. 4. The governor shall have the right to appoint one of the trustees of the said seminary, and to fill any vacancy that may from time to time occur in the place of such trustee by a new appointment, so that there may always be one trustee appointed by the governor.

Appointments of same by governor.

SECT. 5. The number of said trustees shall not at any time be more than twenty-one, and seven of said trustees shall constitute a quorum for the acceptance of this act, and for the transaction of any other business; and any trustee, except a trustee appointed by the governor, who shall neglect to attend five annual meetings of the board in succession, without giving under his hand in writing, a satisfactory excuse for his absence, shall be considered as having voluntarily vacated his seat, and the vacancy shall be filled without delay.

Number of trustees.

Offices to be vacated for non-attendance at meetings.

SECT. 6. Ebenezer Knowlton, Oren B. Cheney and John W. Perkins, or any two of them, are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of this corporation by giving notice of the time and place of said meeting in the Lewiston Journal, a paper printed in Lewiston, and in the Morning Star, a paper printed in Dover, New Hampshire, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Organization.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 14, 1868.

## Chapter 496.

An act to amend the charter of Bates College.

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

SECT. 1. The act entitled "An act to change the name of the Maine State Seminary to that of Bates College, and to otherwise alter the charter of said corporation," approved January nineteen, eighteen hundred and sixty four, is hereby so altered and amended that as altered and amended it shall read as follows:

Ch. 293, special laws 1864, amended.

SECT. 2. Oren B. Cheney, Ebenezer Knowlton, Benjamin E. Bates, James G. Blaine, James Calder, Dexter Waterman, John W. Perkins Abial M. Jones and William H. Littlefield, their asso-

Corporators.