

No. 171.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Female academy of the Visitation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That Rebecca Harrison, Maria Jane Clark, Mary Scott, Ann M. Fulton and Georgiana Pearce, and others who may hereafter be associated together as members, according to the rules and regulations of this corporation, shall be a body corporate and politic, under the name, style and title of "The Philadelphia academy of the Visitation;" to have perpetual succession, to sue and be sued, to use a common seal and to alter and renew the same at pleasure, to take, hold and enjoy lands, tenements and hereditaments, and to sell, mortgage and incumber the same; and to make such by-laws and regulations for their rule and government, and for the admission of more members into the corporation, as they shall deem necessary and proper, and to enjoy all the rights and privileges granted to other bodies corporate and politic in this commonwealth, for literary and scientific purposes: *Provided,* That the said by-laws, rules and regulations shall not be repugnant to, or inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States, and of this state: *And provided also,* That the clear yearly income of the real estate to be held by said corporation, exclusive of the houses occupied by the society, and the grounds thereto attached, shall not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars: *And provided,* That no person shall be or remain a member of the corporation, except regular members of the association living in community and governed by the by-laws of the corporation.

SECTION 2. The principal objects and purposes of this corporation shall be the care and education of young females; and the president of the said academy, from time to time appointed according to the rules and regulations of the corporation, shall have power to grant to such young ladies as shall have studied in said institution, diplomas of excellence in the various branches of female education.

SECTION 3. No misnomer of said corporation shall defeat or annul any gift, grant, devise or bequest to or for the use of said corporation: *Provided,* It shall appear upon the face of the instrument that it was the intention of the party that the property or interest should pass to the corporation.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.