Sec. 16. That all lots of land or parcels of ground in said town, or which have been conveyed by the original proprietors thereof, or other persons, to the inhabitants of said town, in their aggregate capacity, or to any person or persons in trust for them, or for their use and benefit, and all funds raised or to be raised by the sale of donation lots or otherwise, whether for the erection of school houses, Land donated academies or places of public worship, are hereby declared to be vested in to belong to and to be vested in said corporation, and corporation. shall be under the management and direction of the trustees aforesaid and their successors, and applied in furtherance of the objects intended by the proprietors or donors thereof; and the said trustees shall have power to institute suits for the recovery of every or any such lots or parcels Trustees may of ground, should it be necessary; and to perfect in them institute suit. and their successors the title thereof, or to make such other adjustment relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient and proper.

Sec. 17. That it shall be the duty of the board of trustees, in such manner as they may hereafter provide, to give notice of all town meetings to be held, whether for Trustees to the election of trustees or any other purpose arising under give notice of the provisions of this act, by posting the same in three of meetings, the most public places in said town, and stating therein the object of such meeting, Provided, However, that Proviso. not less than three days notice of any such meeting shall in any case be given, except in cases of emergency.

SEC. 18. That the members of the board of trustees and every officer of said corporation, shall, before entering on the duties of his office, take an oath or affirmation, before oath. some judge or justice of the peace, to support the constitution of the United States and of this State, and faithfully to discharge the duties of their several offices.

SEC. 19. That the trustees may have power to di-May divide vide said town into such number of wards as to them [shall] town into seem expedient and proper, Provided, However, that no Proviso stock belonging to citizens without the bounds of said town shall be hurt by the authority of said corporation.

APPROVED 18th February, 1837.

AN ACT to incorporate the Princeton Seminary.

In force 21st Feb., 1837.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That Lucien Farnam, Alby Smith, Nathaniel Chamberlain, Austin Bryant, porate.

John M. Gay, Butler Dunham, and Jeremiah Porter, and their successors be, and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, to be styled and known by the name of the trustees of the Princeton Seminary, and by that name and style to remain and have perpetual succession with full power to make contracts, to accept, acquire, hold, and transfer property, real, personal, and mixed, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in their corporate capacity, to make, have, and use a common seal, and alter and change the same at pleasure, and said trustees shall never exceed the number of fifteen: for the present, the above named individuals shall constitute the board of Trustees, who shall fill the remaining vacancies at their discretion.

Their powers.

Number of

trustees.

Objects of cor. poration.

Sec. 2. The object of said corporation shall be to promote the general interests of education, and to qualify young persons of both sexes for the several employments and profession of society, and for the honorable and useful discharge of the various duties of life.

Where located.

SEC. 3. The Princeton Seminary shall be located at or near Princeton in Putnam county, and within the bounds of township sixteen north, and range nine east, of the fourth principal meridian, and all moneys, funds, and estate hereby vested in the trustees thereof, or which may be hereafter acquired by them in their corporate capacity, shall be held, used, and employed solely for the benefit of said institution.

Trustees pow-

And agents.

SEC. 4. The trustees shall have full power from time to time to prescribe and regulate the course of study to be pursued in said seminary, to fix the rate of tuition and other seminary expenses, to appoint a president, professors, in structors, and such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary and proper in managing the concerns of the institution, to define their duties, powers and employments, to fix their compensation, to displace and remove either or all of the instructors, officers, or agents as said trustees may think the interests of the seminary may require to fill all vacancies among the instructors, professors, officers, and agents, to erect necessary building, to purchase books, maps, charts, globes, chemical and philosophical apparatus and other suitable means of instruction, to put in operation should they deem it proper, a system of manual labor under such regulations as they may think best to adopt for the purpose of diminishing the expense of education, and of promoting the health of the students, to make such rules and by-laws for the general management and regulation of the institution as they may judge expedient, and the same to annul, alter, or amend at pleasure, Provided, said rules and by-laws be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States or of this State, to confer on such persons as may be considered worthy such academical or honorary degrees as are usually conferred by similar institutions, and the said trustees shall have full power to do and perform any lawful matter or thing which they may deem conducive to the good of the institution, and consistent with the state of the funds thereof.

SEC. 5. If any trustee shall be chosen president of Trustee said seminary, his former place as trustee shall be con-chosen presisidered as vacant, and his place filled by the remaining denthis place trustees the trustees for the trustees, the trustees for the time being shall have power to remove any trustee from his office as trustee, for any Trustee may dishonorable or criminal conduct, Provided, That no such be removed. removal shall take place on account of religious opinions, nor without giving to such trustee notice of the charges exhibited against him, and an opportunity to defend himself before the board, nor unless that two-thirds of the whole number of trustees for the time being, shall concur in such removal. The trustees for the time being in order to have perpetual succession, shall have power as often as a trustee shall be removed from office, die re-Hisplace how sign, or remove out of the state, to appoint a resident of filled. this State to fill the vacancy in the board. A majority of the trustees shall constitute a board competent to transact all business, except the permanent appointment or removal of officers, in which a concurrence of two-thirds of the whole board shall be necessary. The trustees shall have at least one stated meeting in every year, and should any trustee hereby appointed, or hereafter to be chosen, refuse to serve or fail to attend the meeting of the board for the term of one year after notification of his appointment, the seat of such trustee or such trustees shall be declared by the board to be vacant, and they may proceed to fill the vacancy.

Sec. 6. The trustees shall faithfully apply all funds collected or hereafter to be collected for said seminary, according to their best judgment, in erecting suitable buildings, in compensating the necessary instructors, professors, officers, and agents, in procuring books, maps, charts, globes, philosophical, chemical, and other apparatus necessary to aid in the promotion of sound learning in said institution, provided, That in case any donation, devise, or bequest, shall be made for particular purposes, accordant with the objects of the institution, and the trustees shall accept the same, every such donation, devise, or bequest, shall be expressly applied in conformity with the condition of the donator or devisor.

SEC. 7. The treasurer of said seminary always, and all other agents when required by the trustees, before enter-give bonding upon the duties of their respective offices, shall give

How funds to be applied.

Form of process against corporation.

bond for the security of the corporation, in such penal sums and with such sureties as the board of trustees shall approve, and all process against the corporation, shall be by summons, and the service shall be by leaving an attested copy thereof with the treasurer, or at his office or place of abode at least thirty days before the return day thereof.

Sec. 8. The said seminary in all its departments, shall How to be con- at all times be conducted on liberal and enlightened principles, and be equally open to all denomination of chrisducted. tians, and the profession of any particular religious faith, shall not be required of those who become students; any student however, may be suspended or expelled from said institution, whose habits are idle, vicious, or contumacious, or whose moral character is bad.

Amount of lands to be held

SEC. 9. The lands, tenements, and hereditaments, to be held in perpetuity, in virtue of this act, by said corporation, shall not exceed one thousand acres, provided however, That if donations, grants, or devices in land, shall from time to time be made to said corporation, over and above said one thousand acres, which may be held in perpetuity as aforesaid, the same may be held and received by the said corporation, for the period of five years from the date of every such donation, grant, or device; at the end of which time, if the said lands over and above the said one thousand acres, shall not have been sold by said corporation, then and in that case, the lands so donated, granted, or devised, shall revert to the donor, grantor, or the heirs of the divisor of the same.

APPROVED Feb. 21st, 1837.

in force Feb. 21, 1837.

AN ACT to extend the corporate powers of the town of Peoria.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That J. D. Shewalter, George B. Parker, Henry W. Cleaveland, and Thomas Phillips, be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, to be known by the name of the Incorporation. "Trustees of the town of Peoria," and by that name they and their successors shall be known in law, have perpetual succession, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in courts of law and equity, and in all actions and matters whatsoever; may grant, purchase, receive and hold property, real and personal, within said town and no other, (burial grounds ex-

May hold property, sell and