

hereby required to proceed to recover all debts due to the State, on account of said salines, for the purpose of making a final settlement of this matter.

SEC. 4. Said commissioner shall give bond, and be qualified, and shall deposit moneys, in his hands, and report, as provided by the ninth and tenth sections of the act to which this is an amendment; and shall receive, as compensation for his services, ten per cent. upon all money deposited as aforesaid. Bond of com'r
Compensation
of com'r.

SEC. 5. The money paid into the treasury, as aforesaid, by said commissioner, shall be appropriated, according to the provisions of the several acts now in force in relation to appropriations heretofore made: *Provided, however,* That the sum of five hundred dollars, appropriated to erect a bridge across the Kaskaskia river, at Shelbyville, by the act of February sixteenth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, may be paid immediately, in lands, out of any of the unsold lands in said reservation, (except the lands herein reserved,) at the last established prices for said lands; to be selected by the commissioners of Shelby county, or the person who may hold the order of said commissioners, and being entitled to the same; and a patent shall issue for said lands to the holder thereof, his heirs and assigns; said commissioner receiving the order, and reporting the lands selected. Proviso.
Appropriati'n
for bridge at
Shelbyville.

SEC. 6. If the commissioner herein mentioned shall die, resign or be removed, it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint another, who shall discharge all the duties imposed by this law, execute bond, qualify, and be entitled to such compensation as is provided by law. This act to take effect from and after its passage. Governor to
appoint com'r
when office is
vacant.

Approved, February 27, 1841.

An ACT to incorporate the Rock River Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly,* That John Clark, Leander S. Walker, Thomas S. Hitt, Jacob B. Crist, C. Burr Artz, Samuel M. Hitt, John Wallace, Nathaniel Swingley, Anthony Pitzer, and James S. Beatty, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of "The Rock River Seminary;" and by that name and style to remain and have perpetual succession. The number of trustees shall not exceed twelve, exclusive of the principal or presiding officer of the seminary, who shall ex-officio, be a member of the board of trustees. In force, Feb.
18, 1841.
Name & style
To have per-
petual succes-
sion.

SEC. 2. The object of said corporation shall be the promotion of the general interest of education, to qualify the youth of our country to engage in the several employments and pro- Object of sem-
inary.

fessions of society, and to discharge, honorably and usefully, the various duties of life.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 3. The corporate powers hereby bestowed shall be such only as are essential or useful in the attainment of said object, and such as are usually conferred on similar corporate bodies, viz: To have perpetual succession—to make contracts—to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded—to grant and receive, by its corporate name, and to do all other acts, as natural persons may do—to accept, acquire, purchase or sell property, real, personal and mixed, in all lawful ways—to use, employ, moneys [manage] and dispose of all such property, and all money belonging to said corporation, in such manner as shall seem to the trustees best adapted to promote the objects before mentioned—to have a common seal, and to alter and change the same—to make such by-laws, for the regulation of the corporation, as are not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States, and of this State.

Course of studies.

Officers of institution.

Vacancies, how filled.

To purchase books, &c.

Manual labor system.

SEC. 4. The trustees shall have authority, from time to time, to prescribe the course of study to be pursued in said seminary—to fix the rate of tuition, room rent and other seminary expenses—to appoint the principal of the institution, and such other professors and instructors, officers and agents, as may be needed in managing the concerns of the institution—to define their duties, powers and employments—to fix their compensations, and to displace and remove the principal or any of the professors, either of the instructors, officers or agents, as said trustees shall deem the interest of said seminary shall be required—to fill all vacancies in the board of instructors and among the officers and agents—to erect suitable and necessary buildings—purchase books, and chemical, philosophical and other apparatus, and other suitable means of instruction—to put into operation, if the trustees deem it expedient, a system of manual labor, for the purpose of promoting the health of the students and lessening the expense of education—to make rules for the general management of the affairs of the seminary, and for the regulation of the conduct of the students.

Funds, how applied.

SEC. 5. The trustees shall faithfully apply all funds by them collected, or hereafter collected, according to their best judgment, in erecting suitable buildings—in supporting the necessary instructors, officers and agents—in purchasing books, maps, charts and globes, philosophical, chemical and other apparatus, necessary to aid in the promotion of sound learning in said institution.

Lands held in perpetuity.

Proviso.

SEC. 6. Any donation, devise or bequest, made for special purposes, in accordance with the objects of the institution, if the trustees shall accept the same, shall be faithfully and truly applied, in conformity with the express condition or conditions of the donor or deviser; the lands, tenements and hereditaments, to be held in perpetuity, in virtue of this act, shall not exceed one thousand acres: *Provided, however, That grants, donations, or devises, in lands, which from time to time*

shall be made to said corporation, may be held for the term of ten years, from the date of any such grant, donation or devise; at the end of which time the said lands, over and above the before named one thousand acres, shall be sold by the corporation; and in case of neglect to sell, said lands, so donated, shall revert to the original donor or devisor, or to the lawful heirs of the same. When lands shall revert.

SEC. 7. The treasurer and all other agents of the institution, when required by the trustees, shall give bond, for the security of the corporation, in such penalty and such security as the board shall approve. And all process against said corporation shall be by summons, and service of the same shall be by leaving an attested copy with the treasurer, at least thirty days before the return day thereof. Treasurer to give bond. Process, how served.

SEC. 8. In its different departments of instruction, the seminary shall be open to all denominations; and the profession of any religious faith shall not be required, in order to admission; but those students who are idle or vicious, or whose characters are immoral, may be dismissed from the institution. Persons may be expelled.

SEC. 9. Said seminary shall be located in town twenty-four north, range ten east of the fourth principal meridian, and on section twenty-seven, in Ogle county, Illinois. The trustees shall hold at least one meeting in each year, for business, and may appoint other stated meetings of the board; special meetings may at any time be held, by order of the president or any three members of the board, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, to do business; and it shall be lawful for the Rock River Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to appoint, annually, a board of visitors, consisting of six persons, who shall have power to sit with the board of trustees, at their annual meetings, and participate with them, ex-officio, as members of the board, in the appointment of the board of instruction and filling vacancies in the board of trustees, as provided for in the tenth section. Location of seminary. Annual meeting for business. Quorum.

SEC. 10. The filling of vacancies in the board of trustees, and the appointment of a principal to the seminary, professors and trustees, shall be made only at the annual meetings, as provided for in the ninth section of this act: *Provided*, That the trustees may fill any vacancy in the board of instructors, or employ additional annual teachers, when necessary, until the succeeding regular annual meetings. Vacancies filled at annual meetings. Proviso.

SEC. 11. This act shall be in force from and after the time at which the persons named in the first section of the act, or a majority of two-thirds of them, as trustees of Rock River Seminary, shall accept the same; and the evidence of said acceptance shall be a copy of the order of the board ordering this act to be spread upon their journals, certified by the president and secretary of the board. Evidence of acceptance of charter.

Approved, February 18, 1841.