

be inconsistent herewith, nor repugnant to the laws of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation may have, hold, and receive, for the purposes of said institution and for no other, real, personal, and mixed estate, by purchase, gift, or devise, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars; to use, lease, sell, or convey the same for the purposes and benefit of said institution; may appoint such teachers as may be necessary, and fix their compensation.

Real estate and other property.

Teachers.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall not be engaged in any banking or commercial business, nor shall it issue any note, check, or other evidence of debt intended to be used as a circulation; and Congress may have the right to alter or repeal this act at any time hereafter.

Limit of corporate powers.

This act may be altered or repealed.

APPROVED, March 3, 1863.

CHAP. CIV. — *An Act granting Lands to the States of Michigan and Wisconsin to aid in the Construction of a "Military Road" from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, Keweenaw County, in the State of Michigan, to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the State of Wisconsin.*

March 3, 1863.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there be, and is hereby, granted to the State of Michigan, to aid in the construction of a military wagon-road from Fort Wilkins, Copper Harbor, to Houghton, Portage Lake, and thence, in a southerly direction, to the state line of Wisconsin, every alternate section of public land, designated by even numbers, for three sections in width, on each side of said road, and also a like quantity, to be taken and designated in same manner, to the State of Wisconsin, to aid in the construction of a like road from the last-mentioned place on the state line of Wisconsin to Fort Howard, Green Bay, in the said State of Wisconsin. But in case it shall appear that the United States have, when the line or route of said road is definitely fixed, sold any section, or any part thereof, granted as aforesaid, or that the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached to the same, then it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to set apart from the public lands of the United States, as near to said even sections aforesaid as may be, so much land as shall be equal to such lands as the United States have sold, or otherwise appropriated, or to which the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached; which lands, (thus selected in lieu of those sold, and to which the right of preëmption or homestead settlement has attached as aforesaid,) together with the sections and parts of sections designated by even numbers as aforesaid, and approved as aforesaid, shall be held by the States of Michigan and Wisconsin for the use and purposes aforesaid: *Provided*, That the lands to be selected for and on account thereof shall in no case be further than fifteen miles from said road: *Provided, further*, That the lands hereby granted shall be exclusively applied in the construction of that road for and on account of which such lands are hereby granted, and shall be disposed of only as the work progresses, and the same shall be applied to no other purposes whatever: *And provided, further*, That any and all lands heretofore reserved to the United States by any act of Congress, or in any other manner by competent authority, for the purpose of aiding in any object of internal improvement, or for any other purposes whatsoever, be, and the same are hereby, reserved to the United States from the operation of this act, except so far as it may be found necessary to locate the route of said road through such reserved lands; in which case the right of way only shall be granted.

Land granted to Michigan and Wisconsin, to aid in the construction of a military wagon-road.

If any land granted has been sold, &c., an equivalent amount to be given in lieu thereof.

Lands not to be over 15 miles from the road, to be applied solely to the construction of the road.

Reserved lands not within this act, except for location of road.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said lands hereby granted to the said States shall be subject to the disposal of the legislature thereof, for the purposes aforesaid, and no other; and the said road shall be and remain [a] public highway for the use of the Government of the United States,

Lands subject to the disposal of the legislature.

Road to be a public highway,

and free to the United States. free from tolls or other charge upon the transportation of any property, troops, or mails of the United States.

Mode of disposing of the lands. SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the lands hereby granted to said States shall be disposed of only in the following manner, that is to say: That a quantity of land, not exceeding thirty sections, for said road, may be sold; and when the governors of said states shall certify to the Secretary of the Interior that any ten continuous miles of said road are completed, then another quantity of land, hereby granted, not to exceed thirty sections for said road, having ten continuous miles completed as aforesaid, may be sold, and so, from time to time, until the said road is completed; and if said road is not completed within five years, no further sales shall be made, and the lands unsold shall revert to the United States.

Mode of constructing the road. SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That said military road shall be constructed with sufficient drains and ditches, and not less than forty feet in width, with a grade not less than sixteen feet wide, with such graduation and bridges as shall permit of its regular use as a wagon road in all seasons of the year, and in such other special manner as the States of Michigan and Wisconsin may prescribe.

APPROVED, March 3, 1863.

March 3, 1863. CHAP. CV. — *An Act to incorporate St. Ann's Infant Asylum, in the District of Columbia.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That Theresa A. Costello, Lucy Gwynn, Margaret Bowden, Sarah M. Carroll, Catherine Ryan, Louisa Fisher, and Catherine Shea, and their successors, be, and they are hereby, made a body politic and corporate forever, by the name of "St. Ann's Infant Asylum," for the purpose of establishing and maintaining in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, an institution for the maintenance and support of foundlings and infant orphan and half-orphan children, and also to provide for deserving indigent and unprotected females during their confinement in childbirth; and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend; may have and use a common seal, and the same alter and renew at pleasure; may adopt and establish rules, regulations, and by-laws not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, for properly conducting the affairs of said corporation; may take, receive, purchase, and hold estate, real, personal, and mixed, not exceeding in value at any one time one hundred thousand dollars, and may manage and dispose of the same, and apply the same, or the proceeds of the sales thereof, to the uses and purposes of said corporation, according to the rules and regulations which now are or may hereafter at any time be established.

Corporation may retain foundlings and infant children committed to its care, until, &c., SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation shall be entitled to retain under their care, charge, and restraint, and subject to the rules and discipline of said corporation, all foundlings and infant children committed to their keeping as fully and completely, to all intents and purposes, as if they were regularly indentured and bound apprentices to said institution, until said foundlings and infants shall be, if males, twenty-one years old, and if females, eighteen years old, or any shorter period that may be agreed upon; and said corporation shall have power to bind them out for a time not to exceed said ages of twenty-one and eighteen years, respectively, as apprentices to learn any trade or business, or to learn to be useful in housekeeping, or may, under terms proper in the view of the said corporation and to be by them stipulated, place them for adoption, or as inmates with any families or persons, said corporation not being restricted in the exercise of their powers of binding or placing out to the District of Columbia; and all such acts shall be in writing, signed by the president