

License to practise medicine, &c. in the District of Columbia to be given without exception on account of color.

power and authority to examine all candidates for membership concerning the practice of specific medicine and surgery, provided said candidates shall sustain a good moral character, and shall present letters testimonial of their qualifications from some legally authorized medical institution; and if, upon such examination, the same candidates, without exception on account of color, shall be found qualified for the practice of medicine and surgery, they shall receive the certificate of membership or the license to practise medicine or surgery within the District of Columbia.

Repealing clause.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That any acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act be, and are hereby, repealed.

APPROVED, April 22, 1870.

April 22, 1870.

CHAP. LXI.—*An Act for incorporating a Hospital for Foundlings in the City of Washington.*

Washington Hospital for Foundlings incorporated.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That G. W. Samson, O. O. Howard, Z. D. Gilman, William Stickney, A. C. Richards, B. Sunderland, A. N. Zevely, Wright Rives, Dr. James C. Hall, David K. Carter, William B. Todd, Jr., D. W. Middleton, George L. Sheriff, B. B. French, Joseph S. Stettinius, and John R. Arison, and such other persons as may be duly chosen, are hereby created and constituted a body politic and corporate, in the District of Columbia, under the name of the Washington Hospital for Foundlings, to have perpetual succession, and be capable to take, hold, and enjoy lands, tenements, and personal property: *Provided*, That no real or personal property shall be held by said corporation, except such as may be necessary to the maintenance and efficient management of said hospital.

Powers.

Estate.

Vacancies.

By-laws.

Directors, officers, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That said corporation, hereby constituted, shall have power to fill vacancies in the board of directors, and to make all necessary by-laws, rules, and regulations not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States.

First board of directors, president, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the management of said hospital shall be under the control of a board of ten directors. The board of directors shall also have power to appoint all officers and committees necessary to the proper administration of the affairs of the hospital.

Quorum. Annual report.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the first seven corporators named in the first section hereof, together with those who may be elected and appointed directors, as provided in the preceding section, shall constitute the first board of directors, who shall, from their number, elect a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer; and five of the directors, including either of the above-named officers, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. It shall be the duty of the president and directors to report to the Secretary of the Interior the condition of said institution on the first day of July in each year.

Object of association.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the object of this association is to found in the city of Washington a hospital for the reception and support of destitute and friendless children.

Foundlings to be wholly under the guardianship of the institution, until, &c.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That foundlings received by this hospital shall be deemed and considered wholly under the guardianship, care, and control of said institution, to be educated, apprenticed, or otherwise disposed of, in such manner as the directors of said hospital may, in their judgment, deem for the best interests of said children until they shall attain the age of eighteen years, when said care and control shall cease.

Exemption from taxation.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the property, real and personal, held by said corporation shall be exempt from all taxes and assessments levied by authority of Congress or of any municipal corporation within the District of Columbia. Congress may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Repealing clause.

APPROVED, April 22, 1870.