

HOUSE....No. 164.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 11, 1856.

The Committee on Education, to whom was recommitted a Bill to change the name of the Female Medical Education Society to New England Female Medical College, and to reorganize the same, have considered the same, and report the Bill in a new draft.

For the Committee,

ANDREW POLLARD.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Six.

AN ACT

To change the name of the Female Medical Education Society to New England Female Medical College, and to reorganize the same.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 SECT. 1. The name of the Female Medical Edu-
2 cation Society shall hereafter be New England
3 Female Medical College.

1 SECT. 2. All the government and business of said
2 college shall be conducted by a board of trustees,
3 consisting of twenty-five members, of which the
4 lieutenant governor of the Commonwealth, the presi-

5 dent of the senate, the speaker of the house of rep-
6 resentatives, the secretary of the Commonwealth and
7 the secretary of the board of education, for the time
8 being, shall always be *ex officio* members. The pres-
9 ent directors of said society, to wit: John S. Tyler,
10 Benjamin C. Clark, Samuel E. Sewall, Adam W.
11 Thaxter, Jr., Dexter S. King, John P. Jewett and
12 Samuel Gregory, together with thirteen other persons,
13 chosen as herein after directed, shall be trustees of
14 said college, till others are chosen in their stead.

1 SECT. 3. At the first meeting of the above-named
2 seven trustees, they shall nominate thirteen persons
3 to complete the board of trustees; and the names of
4 the persons so nominated shall be submitted to the
5 said *ex officio* trustees for their approval; such of
6 them as are approved by a majority of said *ex officio*
7 trustees, shall become trustees; but if any one or
8 more are not thus approved, the said seven trustees
9 shall nominate another or others in the place of any
10 who may not be approved, whose names shall be sub-
11 mitted for approval, and so on until the whole shall
12 be approved.

1 SECT. 4. When the whole number of twenty is
2 completed, they shall be divided by lot into five
3 classes of four each, whose terms of office shall suc-
4 cessively expire in one, two, three, four, and five
5 years; and at the end of every year four trustees
6 shall be chosen for five years, the choice to be made
7 in the same manner as above directed, by the sixteen
8 trustees remaining in office, subject to the approval of
9 the *ex officio* trustees; and all other vacancies, occur-

10 ring from any cause, in the board of trustees, shall
11 be filled in the same manner.

1 SECT. 5. In all transactions, except the choice
2 of trustees, the *ex officio* trustees and the other trus-
3 tees shall have equal powers, and meet together as
4 one board.

1 SECT. 6. The trustees shall have power to elect a
2 president, secretary, treasurer, and such other officers
3 as they may consider necessary; to make by-laws, to
4 appoint professors, who shall constitute a medical
5 faculty, and to confer the usual degree of Doctor of
6 Medicine.

1 SECT. 7. This act shall take effect as soon as the
2 same shall have been accepted at a meeting of the
3 Female Medical Education Society, called for the pur-
4 pose; of which meeting notice shall be given by said
5 directors, by publishing a call for the meeting in not
6 less than three of the newspapers printed in Boston,
7 at least one week before the meeting.