

## CHAP. XXVI.

An Act to incorporate the Trustees of South Reading Academy, in the County of Middlesex.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That Gustavus F. Davis, Burrage Yale, Lemuel Sweetser, Nathan Richardson, Lilley Eaton, Cyrus P. Grosvenor, James D. Knowles, Howard Malcom, Nathaniel R. Cobb, Henry Jackson, James Loring, Lucius Bolles, Rufus Babcock, Jr. George Leonard, Michael Webb, Jr. Arthur Drinkwater, Charles O. Kimball, Bela Jacobs, John E. Weston, Samuel S. Mallory, and their associates, be and hereby are, created a corporation, by the name of the Trustees of the South Reading Academy, in the County of Middlesex; and that they, and their successors, shall be and continue a body politic and corporate by the same name.

Persons incorporated.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That all the monies, lands or other property which shall be given, granted, devised or bequeathed to the said Trustees, for the purpose of establishing or maintaining said institution, shall be, and hereby are, confirmed to the said trustees, and their successors in that trust, forever; and the said Trustees may have and hold any estate, real or personal, provided the same shall not exceed in value the sum of thirty thousand dollars, and shall apply the rents, interest and income thereof, in such manner as they shall judge most proper to effect the purposes of the said corporation.

Monies, &c. confirmed to Trustees.

Estate.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the said Trustees for the time being, or a major part of them,

Trustees to fill  
vacancies, elect  
Instructors, &c.

shall have the power to fill all vacancies in said corporation, to elect such instructors and other officers of said Academy as they shall judge necessary and convenient, and fix the tenure of their respective offices ; to prescribe the powers and duties of the said instructors and officers, and to make and ordain reasonable rules, orders and by-laws, with reasonable penalties, for the government of said Institution, provided the same be not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth.

May have Seal,  
&c.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the said corporation may have a common seal, which they may at pleasure break or renew, and that all deeds, sealed with such seal, and signed, delivered, and acknowledged by the Secretary or Clerk of said corporation, by order of said trustees, shall be good and valid in law ; and the said corporation may make contracts, sue and be sued in all actions, and prosecute and defend the same to final judgment and execution.

First meeting.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That Burrage Yale, or any other Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, be and hereby is authorised to fix the time and place for holding the first meeting of said trustees, and to notify them thereof.

This act may be  
altered, &c.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That the Legislature may, at any time hereafter, alter or repeal this act.

[Approved by the Governor, June 12, 1828.]