### A BILL

To incorporate the Presbyterian College as a College within the University of Sydney.

(As amended and agreed to in Select Committee.)

HEREAS considerable funds have been subscribed for the estab- Preamble. lishment and endowment of a College to be called "The Presby terian College" within the University of Sydney wherein systematic religious instruction in accordance with the Westminster Confession 5 of Faith-and-the Larger and Shorter Catechisms of the Presbyterian Church shall be afforded and provision made for the residence and domestic supervision of Presbyterian and other students and for affording them efficient tutorial assistance in their preparation for the University Lectures and Examinations And whereas it is expedient that the said College should be 10 incorporated by Act eighteenth Victoria number thirty-seven provision has been made for encouraging and assisting the establishment of Colleges within the University of Sydney and whereas it is proposed to institute and endow such a College within said University to be called "The Presbyterian College" for systematic religious instruction in 15 accordance with the principles of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales and domestic supervision of Presbyterian and other students and for affording them efficient tutorial assistance in their preparations for the University Lectures and Examinations and whereas it is expedient that the said College be incorporated Be it therefore enacted 20 by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the

1. So soon as it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of The Presbyterian 25 the Governor that a sum of not less than ten thousand pounds has College incorporated. been subscribed for the endowment aforesaid and that the amount

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has either been paid or secured to be paid for that purpose in accordance with section two of eighteenth Victoria number thirty-seven and that a principal and eighteen fellows twelve councillors for the government of the said College in accordance with the constitution thereof as in this Act set forth have been duly appointed and elected 5 respectively the same shall be notified by proclamation in the New South Wales Government Gazette under the hand of the Governor and immediately upon such notification and from thenceforth the principal and fellows councillors of the said College shall be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Principal 10 and Fellows Councillors of the Presbyterian College" by which name the said incorporated body shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall sue and be sued or otherwise appear and answer and be answered and may take and hold to them and to their successors by grant will or otherwise in perpetuity or for any term of life or years 15 as well chattels and other personal property as lands buildings and hereditaments and the same or any part thereof may alien or otherwise dispose of or demise and also shall or may do all other things incident or appertaining to a body politic or corporate.

Restraining disposal of lands derived from the Crown.

2. Provided always that it shall not be lawful for the said cor- 20 poration or any person or persons seised of or entitled to lands in trust for the corporation or for College purposes to alienate mortgage charge or demise any lands or hereditaments granted to or in trust for the corporation or for College purposes by Her Majesty or Her Successors without the consent in writing of the Governor with the 25

advice of the Executive Council for the time being.

Principal and fellows to constitute a Board-of Management.

3. The said body politic or corporate shall consist of a principal and eighteen-fellows-of-whom-six-shall-be-ordained-Presbyterian-ministers-and twelve laymen-all-of-whom-shall-previous-to-their-entrance-upon-office-sign the said Westminster Confession of Faith and the Catechisms Larger and 30 Shorter-and-shall-together-form-a-Board-to-be-ealled-"The-Board-of Management of the Presbyterian College"-in-which-shall be vested the general government of the College and all matters relating thereto the said Board of Management to elect their own chairman who shall only have a easting vote at all meetings of the Board and five members of the Board to 35 form-a-quorum.

Constitution of Council.

3. The principal who shall also be a councillor and Chairman of the Council and four but not more of the remaining twelve councillors shall be ordained ministers of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales provided always that no person shall be deemed eligible 40 as a councillor who is not a member of the said church.

Faculty-of-whom to consist.

4. So soon as there shall be one or more professors or tutors appointed-within-the-said-College-for-the-training-up-of-eandidates-for-the Ministry in the Presbyterian-Church or for the education of the students generally in-branches of education-not comprised in the University curric- 45 ulum-the-said-principal-and-professors-or-tutors-shall-together-on-their signing-the-Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms Larger and Shorter but not otherwise form a Faculty to be ealled "The Faculty of the Presbyterian College-"-for-the-maintenance-of-discipline among the students and for the regulation of all-matters connected with the business of edu- 50 eation-in-the-College-the-principal-for-the-time-being-to-be-the-Chairman-of the Faculty and in his absence the senior professor or tutor Provided always that the six-Presbyterian-Ministers-forming-part of the Board of Management shall be ex-officio-Members of the said-Faculty and provided that an appeal-shall lie-from the decision of the said Faculty in any case 55 of alleged grievance to the Board of Management.

Powers of Council.

4. The principal and said twelve councillors for the time being of whom five shall be a quorum shall together form a Council to be called the Council of the Presbyterian College in which shall be vested

at all times the government in every respect of the College and all matters relating thereto No temporary vacancy or vacancies in the office of principal or in the number of councillors of the College shall be deemed in any way to affect the constitution of the College or its 5 privileges or status as an incorporated body.

5. The principal and professors or tutors shall be liable respectively Removal and to removal or suspension for a sufficient cause by the Board of Management. suspension.

7. 5. The principal and the first twelve lay fellows councillors shall Mode of election be elected by the subscribers to the funds of the College every subscriber of principal and fellows councillors.

10 of one pound paid to have one vote every subscriber of five ten pounds to have two votes every subscriber of ten twenty-five pounds three votes and every subscriber of fifty pounds or upwards to have four votes all such votes to be given by ballot and subscribers not present at any meeting for such purpose who may authorize in writing any

15 other subscriber shall be allowed to vote by proxy And whenever the said twelve fellows shall have been reduced in number whether by death-resignation or otherwise other fellows shall be elected on the first convenient opportunity to supply the vacancies so created by the surviving subscribers together with such additional subscribers being Pres-

20 byterians as shall then have contributed to the funds of the College Provided that the six Presbyterian ministers or elerical fellows forming part of the Board-of Management-shall-be-elected and all-future vacancies in their number filled up from time to time by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales And provided also that so soon as 25 the graduates of the College shall amount to thirty all subsequent vacancies

in the twelve lay fellows of the said-Board shall be filled up from time to time by the votes of the said-graduates.

6. The Board of Management shall meet at least once every year Meetings of the at such time and place as to them shall seem expedient but a special Board and Faculty. 30 meeting may be held at any time on any emergency or on the requisition either of the principal or of ten subscribers ten days'-notice of such meeting te be given previously for three consecutive days in one or other of the daily papers in Sydney The faculty shall-meet at least once a month.

6. All future vacancies either in the office of principal or in the Vacancies how 35 number of councillors shall be filled up by election by the remaining filled up. councillors and such graduates of the University as still continue on the books of the College.

7. The Moderator for the time being of the General Assembly Visitor. of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales shall be the Visitor 40 of the College and shall have the right to visit the College at any time to examine into the manner in which it is conducted and to see that its laws and regulations are duly observed and executed.

8. All-subsequent appointments after the first whether of principal All-subsequent professors or tutors shall be made by the Board of Management.

8. The principal and professors or tutors shall be liable Removal and respectively to removal or suspension for a sufficient cause by the suspension. Council Provided that if the ground of complaint shall concern the theological or religious doctrines or teaching of the principal and futors or professors or any of them the councillors shall not adjudicate thereon

50 but shall remit the same for trial to the Presbytery of Sydney subject to an appeal to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales.

9. The Board of Management Council of the College shall Power of making by-laws. have power from time to time to make and establish all such by-laws 55 and rules for carrying into effect the several provisions and objects of this Act as to the said Board Council shall seem expedient and such laws and rules from time to time to alter and revoke or to substitute others in their places Provided that every such by-law and rule shall be transmitted to the Governor within thirty days after being made to

appointments-how to be made.

be by him laid before the Houses of Parliament of the Colony as soon as conveniently may be thereafter.

Residence after graduation.

10. Students after taking their degrees at the University may continue in the College for a period not exceeding four years for the purpose of prosecuting such branches of learning as may not be taught 5 in the University.

Deed of grant how to be so construed as to include all Presbyterians

10. 11. And whereas in the deed of grant to the University of Sydney of land in trust for certain Colleges when the founders of the same shall have complied with the conditions of public endowment holding the West- as therein mentioned a portion of the said land is vested in the Senate 10 minster-Standards of the University in trust for a College in connection with the "Church of Scotland" and whereas it is expedient and necessary to secure as far as possible-the-co-operation of all Presbyterians in-establishing the said College the said phrase "Church of Scotland" employed in the deed of grant as aforesaid shall be declared and the same is hereby declared to signify and 15 include for all the purposes of this Act all Presbyterians professing to hold the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Catechisms Larger and Shorter including such as object to those parts of the twenty third chapter of the said Confession which relate to the powers of the Civil Magistrate and to some seem to inculcate intolerant principles in religion. "Church of Scotland" shall be understood to signify the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales.

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This PRIVATE BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 26 November, 1866.

CHA. TOMPSON, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

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# VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

An Act to incorporate the Presbyterian College as a College within the University of Sydney.

HEREAS by Act eighteenth Victoria number thirty-seven Preamble. provision has been made for encouraging and assisting the establishment of Colleges within the University of Sydney and whereas it is proposed to institute and endow such a College within 5 said University to be called "The Presbyterian College" for systematic religious instruction in accordance with the principles of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales and domestic supervision of Presbyterian and other students and for affording them efficient tutorial assistance in their preparations for the University Lectures 10 and Examinations and whereas it is expedient that the said College be Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent

Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament

assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. So soon as it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of The Presbyterian College incorporated. the Governor that a sum of not less than ten thousand pounds has been subscribed for the endowment aforesaid and that the amount has either been paid or secured to be paid for that purpose in accordance with section two of eighteenth Victoria number thirty-20 seven and that a principal and twelve councillors for the govern-

ment of the said College in accordance with the constitution thereof as in this Act set forth have been duly appointed and elected respectively

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respectively the same shall be notified by proclamation in the New South Wales Government Gazette under the hand of the Governor and immediately upon such notification and from thenceforth the principal and councillors of the said College shall be and they are hereby 5 constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Principal and Councillors of the Presbyterian College" by which name the

said incorporated body shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall sue and be sued or otherwise appear and answer and be answered and may take and hold to them and to their successors by

10 grant will or otherwise in perpetuity or for any term of life or years as well chattels and other personal property as lands buildings and hereditaments and the same or any part thereof may alien or otherwise dispose of or demise and also shall or may do all other things incident or appertaining to a body politic or corporate.

2. Provided always that it shall not be lawful for the said cor-Restraining disposal poration or any person or persons seised of or entitled to lands in of lands derived from the Crown. trust for the corporation or for College purposes to alienate mortgage charge or demise any lands or hereditaments granted to or in trust

for the corporation or for College purposes by Her Majesty or Her 20 Successors without the consent in writing of the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council for the time being.

3. The principal who shall also be a councillor and Chairman Constitution of of the Council and four but not more of the remaining twelve coun-Council. cillors shall be ordained ministers of the Presbyterian Church of New

25 South Wales provided always that no person shall be deemed eligible as a Councillor who is not a member of the said church.

4. The principal and said twelve councillors for the time being Powers of Council. of whom five shall be a quorum shall together form a Council to be called the Council of the Presbyterian College in which shall be vested 30 at all times the government in every respect of the College and all matters relating thereto No temporary vacancy or vacancies in the office of principal or in the number of councillors of the College shall be deemed in any way to affect the constitution of the College or its privileges or status as an incorporated body.

5. The principal and the first twelve councillors shall be Mode of election elected by the subscribers to the funds of the College every subscriber councillors. 35 of one pound paid to have one vote every subscriber of ten pounds to have two votes every subscriber of twenty-five pounds three votes and every subscriber of fifty pounds or upwards to have four 40 votes all such votes to be given by ballot and subscribers not present at any meeting for such purpose who may authorize in writing any other subscriber shall be allowed to vote by proxy.

6. All future vacancies either in the office of principal or in the Vacancies how number of councillors shall be filled up by election by the remaining 45 councillors and such graduates of the University as still continue on the books of the College.

7. The Moderator for the time being of the General Assembly Visitor. of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales shall be the Visitor of the College and shall have the right to visit the College at any time 50 to examine into the manner in which it is conducted and to see that its laws and regulations are duly observed and executed.

8. The principal and professors or tutors shall be liable Removal and respectively to removal or suspension for a sufficient cause by the Council Provided that if the ground of complaint shall concern the 55 theological or religious doctrines or teaching of the principal and tutors or professors or any of them the councillors shall not adjudicate thereon but shall remit the same for trial to the Presbytery of Sydney subject to an appeal to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales.

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9. The Council of the College shall have power from time to Power of making time to make and establish all such by-laws and rules for carrying into effect the several provisions and objects of this Act as to the said Council shall seem expedient and such laws and rules from time to

5 time to alter and revoke or to substitute others in their places Provided that every such by-law and rule shall be transmitted to the Governor within thirty days after being made to be by him laid before the Houses of Parliament of the Colony as soon as conveniently

may be thereafter.

10 10. Students after taking their degrees at the University may Residence after continue in the College for a period not exceeding four years for the graduation. purpose of prosecuting such branches of learning as may not be taught in the University.

11. And whereas in the deed of grant to the University of Deed of grant how 15 Sydney of land in trust for certain Colleges when the founders of the to be construed. same shall have complied with the conditions of public endowment as therein mentioned a portion of the said land is vested in the Senate of the University in trust for a College in connection with the "Church of Scotland" the phrase "Church of Scotland" shall be understood 20 to signify the Presbyterian Church of New South Wales.