

CHAP. 79. John Wadlow, Nathan Brawne and Robert T. Shipley of Carroll county, be, and they are hereby incorporated the first trustees of the aforesaid Academy, and the said trustees and their successors to be elected in the manner hereinafter mentioned, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, one community, corporation and body politic, with perpetual succession in deed and in law, to all intents and purposes connected with the said institutions by the name and style of the Freedom Academy of Carroll county, by which name and title they and their successors shall be competent and capable in law and in equity, to take and to hold to themselves and their successors, for the use of the said Academy, any estate in messuages, lands and tenements, annuities, goods, chattels, monies or effects, by the gift, grant, bargain, sale, conveyance, devise or bequest of any person or persons whatsoever, *provided*, the same do not exceed in the whole, the clear value of five thousand dollars, and the same messuages, lands and tenements and other estate, real or personal, to farm, let and put out on interest for the use of the said Academy, and in such manner as to them, or a majority of them, shall seem most beneficial to the institution, and to receive the rents, issues, profits, income and interests of the same, and to apply the emoluments thereof to the use and advancement of the said Academy.

Proviso.

Trustees to fill vacancies.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all times hereafter, when any vacancy or vacancies shall happen in the said community of trustees by the death, resignation or refusal of any one or more of the members thereof, or by the wilful neglect of any one or more of them to attend the meetings of said board of trustees for the space of six months, the remaining trustees, or a majority of them, shall with all convenient despatch proceed to elect by ballot other sensible and discreet persons of said county, to be trustee or trustees to supply such vacancy or vacancies, and in like manner shall all future vacancies be supplied by said trustees and their successors or a majority of them, so as to perpetuate the number of five persons as trustees of the said Academy forever.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees and their successors by the name and style aforesaid, shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court or courts, and before any judge, justice or justices within the State and elsewhere, in all and every manner of suits, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands of whatsoever kind, nature or form they may be, and all or every other matter or thing to do therein, in as full and ef-