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1914.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP  
OF THE APOSTOLIC VICARIATE OF ATHABASCA, AND THE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES AND MISSIONS IN THE APOSTOLIC  
VICARIATE OF ATHABASCA.

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(Preamble)

WHEREAS the Very Reverend Emile Grouard, Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, has petitioned to be incorporated and authorized to acquire and possess real and personal estate in the Province of Alberta for religious purposes;

AND WHEREAS the Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca wishes to be assisted in the management of said estates and he has petitioned for the right to incorporate Catholic Parishes and Missions in the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca now existing or that may hereafter be organized.

THEREFORE HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:-

(Incorporation  
rights & powers)

The Very Reverend Emile Grouard, Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, and each of his successors in the said Apostolic Vicariate in communion with the Church of Rome, shall be, and is by these presents,

declared and established a Corporate body in fact and in name, under the name of "LA CORPORATION EPISCOPALE CATHOLIQUE ROMAINE D'ATHABASCA" and under this name shall have the right of succession in perpetuity and shall have a corporate seal, and may, from time to time, modify, renew or otherwise change at pleasure such Corporate Seal, and may under the name aforesaid, from time to time, and during all times buy, acquire, by gift, devise, bequest, transfer, purchase or otherwise hold, possess, enjoy, take and receive for religious purposes, any land, or real and personal estate, and the same or any part thereof, may, from time to time, dispose of by sale, transfer or mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise, and with the proceeds therefrom may acquire other lands, tenements, hereditaments and other property (real or personal) or invest the same in any security whatsoever for religious purposes, and shall borrow for the purposes of said Corporation, and loan money of the said Corporation on mortgage, promissory notes or other securities, and shall be able to and may prosecute and be prosecuted for the same purpose and under the same name assign or be assigned to appear before a Court of Law in any place whatever, and in as ample and advantageous a manner as any other body politic or incorporate, or as any person legally entitled to prosecute and be prosecuted, assign or be assigned, and said Corporation shall have all power and authority to draft and enact such regulations and orders which shall be deemed necessary and useful to the welfare of the said Corporation, for their management and that of their business and property, and from time to time,

may amend, alter or annul such regulations and orders, or any of them, in such manner as said Corporation shall deem fit and proper.

3. If any Parish or Mission of the Roman Catholic Church own or wish to acquire any lands for the erection of a Church, Chapel, Parsonage House, or for Cemeteries, or other worship purposes, such Parish or Mission, from the fact of its Canonical erection, shall become a body politic and corporate, which will be represented by His Lordship, the Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, and in case of death or absence, by the Administrator of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, by his Vicar General or the Dean of his clergy and the priest canonically appointed for the administration of such Parish or Mission, with power to associate with him for any period of time, two other members or representatives of said corporation.

Title.

3. These different corporations will be known under the name of "The Roman Catholic Parish or the Roman Catholic Mission of \_\_\_\_\_ of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, according to the name given to those parishes or Missions at the time of their establishment by the Bishop or the Administrator of the Diocese of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca; provided that in the case of a Parish or Mission having any rite other than the Latin rite, but adhering to the Church of Rome, the corporate name shall designate the rite of such Parish or Mission, as for instance: "The Roman Catholic Parish or Mission of \_\_\_\_\_ of the (Greek Ruthenian rite or other rite, as the case may be)

united to Rome.

Powers.

4. The said Parishes and Missions under those names and represented as above, may have perpetual succession and a seal, with the power to change, alter or renew said seal as often as they will see fit, and may, under the same name and at the same time in future, buy, acquire by gift, devise, bequest, transfer, purchase or otherwise hold, possess, enjoy, take and receive for the benefit of their said establishment, any lands or real and personal estate, and the same or any part thereof, may, from time to time, dispose of by sale, transfer or mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise, and with the proceeds thereof may acquire other lands, tenements, hereditaments and other property (real or personal) or invest the same in any security whatsoever for the use of said Parishes and Missions, and shall borrow for the purposes of the said Corporation, and loan money of the said Corporation on mortgage, promissory notes, or other security; and shall be able to and may prosecute and be prosecuted for the same purpose and under the same name, assign or be assigned to appear before Court of Law in any place whatever, and in as ample and advantageous a manner as any other body politic or corporate, or as any person legally entitled to prosecute and be prosecuted, assign or be assigned, and said Corporation shall have all power and authority to draft and enact such regulations and orders, not contrary to the laws in force in this Province and to the laws of the Roman Catholic Church, which shall be deemed necessary and useful to the welfare of the said Corporation for their management and that of their business and property, and from time to time may amend,

alter or annul said regulations and orders or any of them in such manner as said Corporation shall deem fit and proper.

Transfer  
property

5. All property already assigned for the maintenance and support of the Roman Catholic Parishes and Missions may be transferred as heretofore indicated to any of said Parishes or Missions as incorporated under this Act;

PROVIDED that the property of a Roman Catholic Parish or mission of the Greek, Ruthenian or other Oriental rite as the case may be shall remain distinct and separate from that of the Parishes or Missions of the Latin rite, and provided that when a hierarchy of such Greek, Ruthenian or other Oriental rite as the case may be shall be organized for this Province by the Holy See, such hierarchy shall have the separate and distinct control and management of their respective parishes and missions thus created, instead of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca.

Patents.

5. The patents applied for in the name of the Roman Catholic Parishes and Missions shall become the property of said Parishes and Missions to which lands have been donated or granted.

Short title

7. This Act may be cited as "The Roman Catholic Parishes and Missions of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca"

Repeal.

8. Chapter 12, of the Ordinances of the North West Territories, 1902, entitled "An Ordinance to Incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, is hereby repealed, insofar as it applies to the Province of Alberta.

Repeal Chapter 52 of the Statutes of Alberta, 2-3 George V,  
1911-12 is hereby repealed.

DATED THE 2nd., DAY OF OCTOBER  
A.D. 1914.

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