

**An Act for incorporating the Trustees of the hospital, founded by the late George Simpson, Esq.**

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Anno Regni decimo nono & vicesimo  
**GEORGI II III. Regis.**

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**A C T**

F O R

Incorporating the Trustees of *George Simpson*,  
 Esquire's, Hospital.

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**W**HEREAS *George Simpson*, late of the City  
 of *Dublin*, Esquire, deceased,  
 did, by his Last-will and Tes-  
 tament

Preamble.



tament, bearing Date on or about the eleventh Day of *December*, One thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, (among other Things therein contained) give, devise, and bequeath unto his Wife, *Catherine Simpson*, the Use and Enjoyment of his Dwelling-House in *Jervis Street, Dublin*, during her Life; and from and after her Decease, he devised and bequeathed the same in Manner therein and herein after-mentioned, and did thereby devise and bequeath unto his Friend *James Forbes*, Merchant, his Bishop's Lease of the Lands of *Carrowneglera*, and other Lands in the County of *Roscommon*, as also his small Estate in the same County,

Recital of  
Mr. *Simp-*  
*son's* Will.



County, in the Possession of Mr. *Potts*; also his Estate and Premises in *Little Butter-Lane, Dublin*, likewise his Estate and Lands of *Pelletstown*, in the County of *Dublin*; also his Houses and Premises in *Frederick-Street, Dublin*, with all his Term and Interest therein, in Trust, in the first Place to pay off the Ground-Rent payable thereout, and then to permit his said Wife to receive and take the clear Rents payable thereout during her natural Life; and from and after her Decease, then to the Uses and Purposes therein and herein after particularly mentioned: And the said *George Simpson*, after bequeathing several Sums of Money to charitable



charitable Uses, and other Purposes, did, by his said Will, give, devise, and bequeath all the Rest; residue, and Remainder of his Real, Freehold, and personal Fortune, (including therein the before-mentioned Houses, Lands, and Premises so bequeathed to, and in Trust for his said Wife, from and after her Decease,) unto his Friends *James Forbes, Travers Hartley, Thomas Read, Redmond Morris, Morgan Crofton, Edward Stretzell, Jame Ford, The Reverend Doctor Robert Law, Alexander Jaffray, William Barton, Nevill Forth, Martin Brownley, Mathew Coleman,* and his said Wife *Catherine Simpson,* and the Survivors and Survivor of them,



them, and their respective Successors, in Trust, thereby and thereout to erect, support, and maintain an Hospital for the Reception of such poor decayed, blind, and gouty Men, as they shall think worthy of such a Charity, with Power in them, and the Survivors and Successors of them, to lay out at Interest, or in a Purchase, without Risk to themselves, and to demise, set, sell, or otherwise dispose of, all or any Part of the said Residue, as they shall think most proper for the Uses and Purposes of the said intended Charity, with a further Power in them, and their Survivors and Successors, to elect and appoint any other fit and proper Persons



fons as Trustees with them, who are to have the same Powers and Authorities as the said other Trustees; and of his said Will, appointed his said Wife, and the said *James Forbes* and *Thomas Read*, Executors; and the said *Catherine Simpson* and *James Forbes* have obtained a Probate thereof, under the Seal of His Majesty's Court of Prerogative, and taken upon them the Burthen and Execution thereof.

Reciting  
the Election  
of Mr. *George  
Sutton*, in the  
Room of Mr.  
*Read*, de-  
ceased.

And whereas the said *Thomas Read* is since dead, and Mr. *George Sutton*, Merchant, hath been since duly elected in his Room, and the said other surviving Trustees have severally accepted



accepted of the said Trust, and are desirous to carry the humane Intention of the said *George Simpson* into immediate Execution, but being apprehensive that the Powers so vested in them by the said Will, are not sufficiently explicit to enable them to effectuate the Design and Intention of the Testator, are desirous that a Corporation shall be erected by Act of Parliament, effectually to Answer the charitable Intentions of the said *George Simpson*, and that the Real, Freehold, and Personal Fortunes devised to the said Trustees, and their Successors, shall be vested in them as a Body Corporate, upon the same Trusts,



Trusts, and to the like Intents and Purposes, and under the same Rules and Directions, as in and by the said Will of the said *George Simpson* are expressed and intended.

The first  
enacting  
Clause ap-  
pointing the  
Trustees a  
Corporate  
Body.

At the humble Petition, therefore, of the said *Catherine Simpson, James Forbes, Travers Hartley, Redmond Morris, Morgan Crofton, Edward Strettell, James Ford, The Reverend Doctor Robert Law, Alexander Jaffray, William Barton, Nevill Forth, Martin Brownley, Mathew Coleman, and George Sutton,* and for the Purposes aforesaid: Be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and  
Consent



Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the first *Monday* after the passing of this Act, there be, and shall be a Corporation for ever, for the Execution of the said Last-will of the said *George Simpson*, so far forth as the same relates to the said Hospital so intended to be erected as aforesaid, and to answer the several Intents and Purposes therein contained, and herein after-mentioned, which Corporation shall consist of the several Trustees herein beforementioned, that is to say, *Catherine Simpson,*



*Simpson*, widow of the said *George Simpson*, *James Forbes*, *Travers Hartley*, *Redmond Morris*, *Morgan Crofton*, *Edward Strettell*, *James Ford*, The Reverend Doctor *Robert Law*, *Alexander Jaffray*, *William Barton*, *Nevill Forth*, *Martin Brownley*, *Mathew Coleman*, and *George Sutton*, who are hereby authorized and impowered to erect, support and maintain an Hospital for the Reception of such poor decayed blind Men, and gouty Men, as they and their Successors shall think worthy of such a Charity.

The Trustees after the first *Monday* after the

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the first *Monday* after the



the passing of this Act, the  
aforefaid Persons and their  
Successors shall for ever here-  
after, in Name and in Fact, be  
one Body Politic and Corpo-  
rate in Law, for the Purposes  
in this Act contained, and shall  
have perpetual Succession, and  
shall be called by the Name of  
“ The Trustees of the Hospi-  
tal founded by *George Simpson*,  
Esquire,” and that they shall be  
enabled to plead and sue, and  
to be sued and impleaded by  
that Name, in all Courts and  
Places of Judicature; and shall  
and may appoint a Common  
Seal or Seals for the Uses of  
the said Corporation.

passing the  
Act, to be a  
Body Cor-  
porate, by  
the Name of  
the Trustees  
of the Hos-  
pital founded  
by *George  
Simpson*,  
Esq.



Upon the  
Death or Re-  
signation of  
any of them,  
the surviving  
Trustees to  
elect, within  
3 Months  
after, seven  
Trustees  
being then  
present.

And be it enacted by the Au-  
thority aforefaid, That upon  
the Death or Refignation of  
any Person or Persons herein  
before named as a Trustee or  
Trustees, whereby a Vacancy  
of a Trustee shall happen, that  
then the surviving Trustees of  
the said Hospital, seven of  
them at least being present,  
shall, within three Calendar  
Months next after the Death  
or Refignation of such Trustee,  
elect and appoint some other fit  
Person to be a Trustee, in the  
Place and Stead of every such  
Person so dying or resigning,  
and as often as any Vacancy  
shall happen, by the Death or  
Refignation of the Person or  
Persons so to be hereafter elec-  
ted



ted to succeed therein, that some other Person or Persons shall in like Manner, from Time to Time, for ever be elected, which said Person and Persons, so from Time to Time to be elected, shall, to all Intents and Purposes, be deemed and taken to be a Trustee and Trustees of the said Hospital, as if his and their Name and Names were herein particularly inserted as a Trustee and Trustees.

Provided nevertheless, that before every such Election of a Trustee, eight Days Notice be first given for that Purpose, in the *Dublin Gazette*, and such other of the Public News Pa-  
Eight Days Notice of such Election to be given in the *Dublin Gazette*, and other Papers, otherwise the Election to be void.



pers in the City of *Dublin*, as the Trustees, or any five of them, shall think proper; and by Writing, to be left at the usual Place of Abode of each surviving Trustee, if in the City of *Dublin*, or the Suburbs or Liberties thereof; and for Want of such Notice, the Election shall be void, and the Trustees may proceed to a new Election: And provided also, that the said Corporation shall consist of no more than fourteen Trustees at any one Time.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees, and their Successors, to have four General Quarterly Meetings



Meetings of the Members thereof yearly in *Dublin*, at such Place or Places, and at such Time or Times, as they shall think proper; to wit, on every first *Monday* in *August*, Trustees to have four first *Monday* in *November*, first General *Monday* in *February*, and first Meetings every Year, *Monday* in *May*, and as many *viz.* the first other general Meetings, at *Monday* in such Places in the City of *Dub-* *Aug.* first *Monday* in *Nov.* first *Monday* in *Feb.* and first *Monday* in *May*, and as many other General Meetings as the Trustees, or any five of them, shall think proper; and that the first General Meeting of the said Trustees shall be on the first of the said Quar-  
terly



terly Days that shall first happen after the passing of this Act, Notice whereof, any two or more of the said Trustees are hereby impowered and required to give to the Members of the said Corporation, by a Writing for that Purpose, six Days before the holding of such General Meeting, to be left at the usual Place of Abode of each of the said Corporation, if in the City of *Dublin* or Suburbs or Liberties thereof; and that it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees, or the Majority of them, who shall be so assembled at any General Meeting, to elect and appoint a Receiver, and all such other Officers and Servants as they shall find needful and proper

Trustees to elect a Receiver, and other Officers;



per for the said Hospital; and that it shall and may be lawful also, to and for any three Members of the said Corporation, to administer an Oath or Oaths, Affirmation or Affirmations, to the said Officers and Servants, which they shall be required to take for the due and faithful Execution of their respective Offices; and likewise <sup>likewise a Physician or Surgeon.</sup> shall and may elect and appoint one or more Physician or Physicians, Surgeon or Surgeons, for the said Hospital; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, at their stated Quar- <sup>Trustees at any Quarterly Meeting to make Bye-Laws.</sup>terly Meetings, and at no other Meetings (seven Members at least being present), to make such Bye-Laws, Rules, and



and Ordinances, and from Time to Time to alter the same, as they shall judge most convenient and needful for the good Government of the said Corporation, and Management of the Affairs thereof, and the effectual Promotion of the good Ends intended thereby, and to give such Instructions, Directions, Encouragements, and Salaries to those whom they shall employ, as they shall judge needfull and reasonable: Provided, that the said Rules, Ordinances, Instructions, and Directions be not repugnant to the Laws and Statutes in force in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, the same to be confirmed by the succeeding General Meeting, at which se-



ven at least of the Trustees shall be present; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Corporate Body, and their Successors, five at least being present, to remove and displace any of the Officers or Servants of the said Corporation, or any and every poor Man to be admitted into the said Hospital.

Provided always, That no Member of the said Corporation shall ever be elected to, or permitted to hold any lucrative Employment under, or receive any Salary or Wages from the said Corporation.

No Member of the Corporation to hold any lucrative Employment under them.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Receiver,



Receiver  
and other  
Officers to  
give Secu-  
rity.

ceiver, and all and every other then the Officers so to be appointed in pursuance of this Act, shall, before they shall be permitted to enter upon Office, give such good and sufficient Security for the just and faithful Discharge of their respective Offices as the Trustees shall think proper, and shall at all Times be accountable to the said Trustees, or their Committee, when required; and that every such Receiver shall be obliged, from Time to Time, to lodge the Monies to be received by him by virtue of his Office, within forty-eight Hours after he shall have received the same, in such Bank as the said Trustees, or any five of them, shall direct,  
to



to be accountable for the same to the said Trustees on any Quarterly Day; and that all and every the Officers so to be appointed, shall be obliged, on the first *Monday* in *February* in every Year, or oftener, if required, to give in a particular Account in Writing, signed by him and them, of all Receipts, Payments, and Disbursements of the said Corporation, and the same shall be then examined, audited, and subscribed by the said Trustees, or any five of them; and shall then also give in a true and exact State of the Funds of the said Corporation, in order that they may be examined and entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpose,

All Officers to account yearly, that is, on the first *Monday* in *Feb.* in every Year, or oftener, if required.



Purpose, such Book, and all other the Books and Papers of the said Corporation, to be at all Times open and free for the perusal of the several Members thereof.

After the Decease of Mrs. *Simpson*, the several Estates devised to her, and all other the Estates of Mr. *Simpson*, from and after the first *Monday* after passing this Act, to vest in the Trustees, and their Successors.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the decease of the said *Catherine Simpson*, all the Real, Freehold, and Personal Estate of the said *George Simpson* so devised to, and in Trust for her as aforesaid, and all other the Real, Freehold, and Personal Estate of the said *George Simpson*, from the first *Monday* after the passing of this Act, subject to the Payment of his Debts, Funeral Expences, Annuities,



Annuities, and Legacies, if any such remain unpaid, shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the Trustees of the said Hospital, and their Successors, during the several and respective Estates, Terms, and Interests therein, upon the several Trusts, and to the same Uses, and for the same Purposes, as in and by the said Last-will and Testament of the said *George Simpson* are directed, appointed, and intended concerning the same, and to and for no other Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That No other Charity to be blended with this. no other Charity whatsoever shall

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shall hereafter by the said Trustees be blended or incorporated with the said intended Charity, but that the same shall at all Times for ever hereafter remain sole and distinct from every other Charity.

Trustees to  
have Power  
to purchase  
not exceed-  
ing 1000l. a  
Year;

And be it enacted by the Authority afore said, That the said Trustees of the said Hospital, and their Successors, shall and may purchase, have, take, and enjoy to them and their Successors, any Manors, Lands, Tenements, Annuities, or Hereditaments, in Possession, Reversion, or Contingency, not exceeding in Value the yearly Sum of One thousand Pounds Sterling in the whole, of any Person



Person or Persons having a Right, and not being otherwise disabled to alien or grant the same, who are hereby enabled to transfer and grant the same without Licence in Mortmain; and that it shall and may be lawful, to and for the said Trustees of the said Hospital, or the majority of them present, at any Corporate Assembly, not being less than nine, from time to time, by Indenture, under their Common Seal, to demise and to set for any Term, or lease any Lands, Tenements, in Cities or or Hereditaments, vested in Towns, not exceeding them in pursuance of this Act, or any Part or Parcel thereof, for any Term or Number of Years, in Cities or Towns Corporate, for Building, not exceeding the Term of ninety-



99 Years, or  
in any other  
Place for 3  
Lives, or 31  
Years.

nine Years, and in any other Place, not exceeding the Term of three Lives, or, for any Number of Years not exceeding thirty one Years, so as upon every such Demise or Lease, there be reserved and made payable, Half-yearly, to the said Trustees of the said Hospital, and their Successors, during the Continuance of such Lease and Leases respectively, as much Rent as can, at the making of such Lease and Leases respectively, be really and *bonafide* gotten for the same from a Solvent Tenant, and so as no Fine or other Consideration be taken for the same; and that every such Demise or Lease be made in Possession and not in Reversion.

And



And be it enacted by the Authority aforefaid, That all Leases made of fuch Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments in any other Manner fhall be null and void to all Intents and Purpofes.

All Leases made in any other Manner to be null and void.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforefaid, That this Act fhall be deemed, taken, and allowed, in all Courts of Juftice in this Kingdom, as a Public Act, without fpecially pleading the fame.

This Act to be deemed a Public Act.

*FINIS.*



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