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## Georgiill. Regis.

## CAP. I.

An ACT for erecting a Parish in the CITY of SAINT JOHN, and incorporating the RECTORS, CHURCH WAR-DENS and VESTRIES of the Church of ENGLAND in the feveral Parishes in this Province.



E it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Affembly, That the Parish of the The Parish of Church commonly called and known by the in the Consortation of Little 2 in the Consortatio name of TRINITY CHURCH, in the City John, effeblishof Saint John, shall comprehend all the lands lying and being in the City of Saint John, and shall be known and called by the name

of the Parill of Saint Yoln.

II. And be it further enacted, That the present Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of the said Church, and their successors for ever, shall be a body of politic and corporate in deed and name, and fuccesses, inshall have succession for ever by the name of "The Rector, "Church Wardens and Vestry of TRINITY CHURCH in the "Refer, "Church War"Parish of Saint John," and by that name shall sue, and be "dees, and Vestigand Ves fued, implead, and be impleaded, answer, and be answered unto,

dens and Veffry of the faid. Church & their "Church in the " Parish of St. And to have capacity to purchase and receive for the use of the faid Church, goods, chatters, lands, and tenements,

in all courts and places whatsoever in this province; and shall have full power and capacity to purchase, receive, take, hold, and enjoy for the use and benefit of the said Church, as well goods and chattels, as lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and improve and use the same for the benefit and advantage of the said Church according to their best discretion, and the true intent and meaning of the donors, where such goods and chattels, lands, tenements, or hereditaments, shall be given, devised, or bequeathed to the use and benefit of the said Church, any law, usage, or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.—Provided always that the amount of the annual rents, profits, and receipts of such lands, tenements, goods, chattels, and hereditaments shall not exceed the sum of sive hundred pounds.

The parishoners to meet on the first Monday after Easter in every year, at the faid parish church, to chuse two church wardens and any number, not exceeding twelve, of vestry men.

HI. And be it further enacted, That the parishoners of the said parish shall on the first Monday after Easter, for ever hereafter, yearly and every year assemble and meet together at the said Parish Church, and shall then and there by a plurality of voices, elect and chuse two fit persons belonging to the said parish to be Church Wardens for the year ensuing, and any number not exceeding twelve, of other fit persons, belonging to the said parish, to be Vestry-men for the year ensuing—who shall thereupon enter into the execution of their respective offices, and shall continue in the same until other fit persons shall be chosen in their stead.

The lots of land conveyed to the use of the faid thurch and the faid church lately erected on the faid lots, vessed in the faid Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestry.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the feveral lots of land already purchased or conveyed to the use of the said Church, for the purpose of erecting the said Church thereon, and also the said Church lately erected on the said lots, shall be and remain sully and absolutely vested in the said Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry, and their successors for ever, as a good and absolute estate in see simple, for the use, trust and benefit aforesaid, and shall be so deemed and taken in all Courts of Law and Equity in this province, any law, usage, or custom, to the contrary not-withstanding.

The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry, to have power to fell or let to hite the pews of the Churchs or the lands and by the imprevement and use of goods, cnattels, lands and tenements of finith & repair the Church

V. And be it further enacted, That the faid Rector, Church-Wardens and Veiltry, or the major part of them affembled, upon due notice publicly given, shall have full power and authority, to have, use, and take, all such ways, means, and methods, as in their discretion they shall think meet, by the absolute sale of, or by letting to hire, or other disposal of the pews of the said Church, or the said lands and ground and by the improvement and use as aforesaid of such goods, chattels, lands, tenements, and hereditaments as shall be hereafter purchased or given to the use and benefit of the said Church, to compleat and finish the said Church, and repair the same from time to time, and to provide goods, furniture,

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furniture, ornaments, and bells; and to pay the falaries and other Provide fumiallowances to the Rector, Organist, Clerk, and Sexton of the fame Church, and to the Clerk of the Vestry; and to defray all tor, Organia, other necessary future expenses for the use and benefit of the said con, &c. ton, &c.

ture, bells, &c. and pay the fala-

VI. And be it further enacted, That the Rectors, Church-Church Wardens and Vestries of the several and respective Churches ald the control of ready erected in the several and respective parishes in this province, churches endand also of such Churches as shall be hereafter erected, and their erested in the respective successors for ever, shall, as soon as they are respective. feveral parishes in the province ly inducted and appointed, be bodies politic and corporate in deed incorporated. and name, and shall have succession for ever, by the name of, the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of the several and respective Churches to which they belong; and this act, and every clause, direction, authority and power in the same contained, shall extend and be in force for all such Churches, in the same manner as if the said clauses, directions, authorities and powers were particularly re-enacted and applied to such Churches re-\_fpectively.

VII. And be it further enacted, That in case of the death, or in case of the absence from the province, of the respective Rectors of the said of the Rectors. Churches for the time being, and where no Rectors shall have the Church Wardens and Vestry in such parishes, which was the same such authorities that are herein before given to the Rector, Church wardens, etc.

Wardens and Vestry of such Churches resistantly lived to the Rector, Church wardens, etc. Wardens and Vestry of such Churches respectively.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That henceforth no corple interred under shall be interred within or under the faid Church in the City of any Church, Saint John, or within one hundred yards from the walls of the yards of Trining faid Church; or within or under the walls of any Church alaready erected or hereafter to be erected in this province.

## CAP. II.

An ACT to repeal an Act entitled "An

- " Act to empower the FOREMAN of the
- " GRAND JURIES to administer the
- " usual OATHS to such WITNESSES as
- " are to be examined before them."

HEREAS an act made and passed in the twenty-sixth Preamble. year of his present Majesty's reign entitled "An Act to empower the Foreman of the Grand Juries to administer the