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Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1818. Fredericton, NB: George K. Lugrin, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1818.

58 George III – Chapter 13

An Act to extend the powers of the Minister and Elders of the Kirk of Scotland, in the City of Saint John. Passed the 11th March, 1818.

Whereas by an Act made and passed in the Fifty-sixth year of the Reign of His present Majesty intituled, "an Act to enable the Minister and Elders, for the time being, of the Church in communion with the Kirk of Scotland, lately erected in the City of Saint John, to hold the same to them and their successors for ever, and for other purposes therein mentioned," the said Minister and Elders are created a Body politic and corporate, with perpetual succession, by the name of the "Minister and Elders of the Kirk of Scotland, in the City of Saint John."

And whereas, a Minister has been duly chosen and appointed and approved and licenced, and Elders have been duly chosen and appointed according to the directions of the before mentioned Act.

And whereas, it is deemed expedient for the better support and maintenance of the Building erected in the said City, for a place of public worship, as mentioned in the said Act, and of the said Minister for the time being, and the officers to the same Kirk, from time to time belonging, that the powers of the said Minister and Elders of the Kirk of Scotland, in the City of Saint John, should be enlarged and extended.

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said Minister and Elders of the Kirk of Scotland, in the City of Saint John, shall have full power and capacity to purchase, receive, take, hold and enjoy, for the purpose aforesaid, as well Goods and Chattels, as Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, and improve and use the same for the use and purpose aforesaid, 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 purpose aforesaid, 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, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels, together with the rents of the Pews, in the said Kirk, shall not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds.