

Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1850. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1850.

13 Victoria – Chapter 7 Private or Personal Acts

An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland. Passed 26th April 1850.

Whereas it appears to be the desire of the members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland, that the Trustees, in whom certain property is invested for the use of the said Church, shall become incorporated, in order that they may more effectually hold the same for the purposes for which the same was originally designed;

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the following persons, namely, George Russell, George Cothers, David Johnston, John M'Intyre, together with the present Elders of the said Church, namely, John Armstrong, James Agnew, and Robert Ewing, be and they are hereby declared to be Trustees for the said Church, until the election and appointment of not more than seven other Trustees, as hereinafter directed; and that the above named Trustees (and the said Trustees and their successors, to be chosen and appointed in manner hereinafter mentioned,) shall be a Body Politic and Corporate in deed and in name, and have succession forever by the name of "The Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland," and by that name shall be enabled to use a Common Seal, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all Courts and places whatsoever within this Province, and shall have full power and capacity to purchase, receive, take, hold, and enjoy, for the exclusive 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 of the said Church; as also to sell, dispose of and exchange the same according to their best discretion, for the like benefit; and also to hold the same according to the true intent and meaning of the donors, when such property shall be given, devised or bequeathed to the said Trustees to the use and benefit of the said Church; provided always, that the amount of annual rents, profits and receipts of such property shall not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds, any law, custom or usage to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

II. And be it enacted, That all estate, real and personal, of what nature or kind soever, at present vested in the present Trustees of the said Church, shall be on the passing of this Act fully and absolutely vested and remain in the Trustees hereinbefore named, and their successors forever, for the exclusive use, trust and benefit aforesaid, saving the rights of such present Trustees and of Her Majesty, and other persons, bodies corporate and politic, or other claims or rights whatsoever.

III. And be it enacted, That on the first Wednesday in May in each and every year forever hereafter, a meeting of the male communicants of the said Church may on that day be holden in

the said Church, if deemed expedient, or in some other convenient place, at which meeting an election shall be made by ballot, to be determined by a majority of such communicants, of any number of persons (not exceeding seven, who shall likewise be communicants,) to be Trustees of the said Church, who shall forthwith, on the completion of such election, enter upon the duties of their office, and continue in the same until other fit persons shall be elected in manner aforesaid.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Trustees in the several and respective Churches already erected within this Province, and also of all Churches which may be hereafter erected, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Church of the City of Saint John, (the Trustees of which are hereby incorporated,) shall, when elected in manner and form as directed by this Act, be Bodies Politic and Corporate in deed and in name, and have succession forever by the name of the Trustees of the several and respective Churches to which they belong, and then this Act, and every direction and authority therein contained, shall extend and be in force in all such Churches in the same manner as if the same direction and authority were particularly re-enacted and applied to such Churches respectively.