

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Newfoundland, passed in the year 1862.

25 Victoria – Chapter 11

**An Act to Incorporate the St. John's Association in aid of the Colonial and Continental Church Society.
(Passed 27th March, 1862.)**

Be it enacted, by the Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, as follows:

- I. That the Persons hereinafter named, that is to say, Charles Simms, John Winter, M. D., Edward L. Jarvis, James Bayly, Hugh W. Hoyles, J. W. Marriott, the Reverend Thomas M. Wood, Frederick B. T. Carter, and all such other Persons as now are Members of the Corresponding Committee in St. John's, Newfoundland, of the Society called "The Colonial and Continental Church Society," and their Successors, are hereby created a Body Corporate, by the name of "The St. John's Association in aid of the Colonial and Continental Church Society," and by that name shall have succession and a common Seal, and by that name may sue and be sued, and may purchase, take and hold Real and Personal Estate, and may let, sell, and convey, or otherwise manage and dispose of the same, or any part thereof, and shall have power to make Bye-Laws for the rule and good management of the Association, the establishing of the Officers proper for the management of its Affairs, and generally for the promotion of the Interests of the Society; but such Bye-Laws shall not be contrary to the Laws of Newfoundland, or to the provisions of this Act. The Standing Rules of the Association previously to the passing of this Act are confirmed as the Bye-Laws of the Association.
- II. The Society shall not hold at any time Real Estate of greater Value than Ten Thousand Pounds Sterling.
- III. All Persons paying an Annual Subscription of Ten Shillings Sterling or upwards, or making at one time a Donation of Ten Pounds Sterling when admitted pursuant to the Bye-Laws, shall be Members of the Society; but if such Annual Subscription shall not be actually paid into The Funds on or before the Twenty-fifth day of November in each Year, such Member shall cease to be a Member of the Society until the same shall be paid, or until such Person shall otherwise become a Member thereof under some Bye-Law or Rule of the Society.
- IV. The Association shall be governed and its affairs managed by a Committee of not more than Twelve nor less than Six Persons, such Committee constituting the Corresponding Committee of the Parent Society.
- V. The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary, shall be ex officio Members of all Committees.
- VI. The Committee and all the Office-bearers shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society by the Majority of the Members present, according to the Standing Rules now in operation, or to be made under and by virtue of this Act. The Committee and the Office-bearers shall be eligible for

re-election. The appointment of Members of the Committee is to be subject to approval by the Committee in England of the Colonial and Continental Church Society.

VII. The Committee shall meet as often as there may be occasion, Five being a Quorum.

VIII. All the Property belonging to the Association, and all the Lands, Tenements and Property belonging to the Colonial and Continental Church Society situate in this Island (the Trustees of the last named Society having testified their consent in writing thereto) shall, by virtue of this Act, and without further or other conveyance, be transferred to and vested in the said Incorporated Society for the uses thereof.

Standing Rules of the Association.
Adopted previously to the Act of Incorporation.

1. Annual Subscribers of Ten Shillings Sterling or upwards shall be Members of the Association during the continuance of their Subscriptions. Benefactors of Ten Pounds Sterling or upwards at one time shall be Life Members.
2. Members will be entitled to receive the Annual Reports and other occasional Publications of the Parent Society, and will have the same privileges as if they subscribed direct to the Parent Society.
3. The objects of this Association shall be to call forth the zeal of Christians in general, and especially of Members of the Church of England, in support of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, to promote its objects and proceedings, to procure collections, subscriptions and other contributions, and to give the Society in England information upon all matters coming within the operation of the Society.
4. No part of the Lands or Property of the Colonial and Continental Church Society shall be sold by the Association without the express authority of the Committee of the Parent Society, signified by a Resolution authenticated by the Signature of the Secretary.
5. The whole of the Funds obtained by the Association, after deducting Incidental Expenses, shall be accounted for to the Parent Society in England.
6. A General Meeting of the Association shall be held annually on such a day as shall be fixed by the Committee, when a Report of the proceedings shall be read, and an account of Receipts and Disbursements presented, duly audited, and the Officers of the Association chosen for the ensuing year.
7. The Committee and all Officers of the Association, and the several Teachers employed shall be Members of the Church of England.