

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Newfoundland, passed in the year 1863.

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An Act to Enable the Saint John's Association in Aid of the Colonial and Continental Church Society to hold Certain Lands in Perpetuity. (Passed 25th March, 1863.)

Whereas the Colonial and Continental Church Society have, for many years past, held, and now hold, under Lease, at a nominal rent, from Thomas Bennett, James J. Rogerson and Hugh W. Hoyles, Trustees appointed on behalf of the Crown, a certain parcel of Land situate in the Town of St. John's; In trust, nevertheless, to and for the uses, intents and purposes, following; that is to say—In trust that they shall and may, from time to time, and at all times during the continuance of the term therein granted, permit and allow the Building now erected and being on the said premises; and heretofore known as and by the name of "The Saint John's Charity School," and the premises aforesaid, with the appurtenances, to be used, occupied and enjoyed, by the Colonial and Continental Church Society, for the purposes of a Charity School to be kept therein, which is to be conducted according to the Rules and upon the principles' of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, and under the management of the Corresponding Committee of the satire Society; the said Thomas Bennett, James J. Rogerson, and Hugh W. Hoyles, reserving the right to use the School-rooms for the purposes of a Sunday School and for the meetings of the several Church Societies after School hours, and at such times, for any other Educational, Religious or Charitable purposes, Which they, after consultation with the Corresponding Committee shall consider to be not inconsistent with their trust.

And whereas the Wooden Buildings now upon the said Land, in Which such School has been and now is held, have fallen into decay; and the said Society are desirous of erecting new and substantial Buildings of Brick and Stone on the said Land, but are unwilling so to do except upon a Perpetual Lease, which the Trustees, in consequence of all former Leases given by them being for terms of Twenty-one Years only, do not consider themselves warranted in granting without the sanction of the Legislature: And whereas the said Society having petitioned the Legislature for such sanction, a Select Committee of the Assembly has reported in favour of such petition being acceded to, under the limitations hereinafter mentioned:

Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, That it shall and maybe lawful to and for the said Thomas Bennett, James J, Rogerson, and Hugh W. Hoyles, Trustees as aforesaid, to grant and execute unto the St. John's Association in Aid of the Colonial and Continental Church Society new Lease, at a Nominal Rent, of all the Lands, Messuages and Tenements, included in the present demise, for a term perpetually renewable; and, in trust, that they shall and may, from time to time, and at all times use, occupy and enjoy the same, for the purposes of a Charity School to be kept therein, which is to be conducted according to the Rules and upon the principles of the Colonial and Continental Church Society, and under the management of the Corresponding Committee of the same Society the said Thomas Bennett, James J. Rogerson, and Hugh W. Hoyles, reserving the right to use the School Rooms for the purpose of a Sunday School, and for the meetings of the several Church Societies after School hours, and (at such times) for any other Educational, Religious or Charitable purpose, which they, after consultation with the Corresponding

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Committee of the said Society, shall consider to be not inconsistent with their trust, and on such further conditions as to the Building of Brick or Stone on the said Land, and as to such other matters necessary and incidental to their said trusts, as the said Trustees may consider expedient.