

CHAP. II.

An Act for the Relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned.

[*Passed 25th March, 1828.*]

WHEREAS Religious Societies of various denominations of Christians find difficulty in securing the Title of Land requisite for the Site of a Church, Meeting-House or Chapel, or Burying-ground, for want of a Corporate capacity to take and hold the same in perpetual succession; *And whereas* it is expedient to provide some safe and adequate relief in such cases.

Preamble.

Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain entitled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the Fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign entitled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province,'" and by the authority of the same, That whenever any Religious Congregation or Society of Presbyterians, Lutherans, Calvinists, Methodists, Congregationalists, Independants, Anabaptists, Quakers, Menonists, Tunkers or Moravians, shall have an occasion to take a Conveyance of Land for any of the uses aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for them to appoint Trustees, to whom, and their Successors to be appointed in such manner as shall be specified in the Deed, the Land requisite for all or any of the purposes aforesaid may be conveyed, and such Trustees, and their Successors in perpetual succession by the name expressed in such Deed, shall be capable of taking, holding, and possessing such Land, and of commencing and maintaining any action or actions in Law or Equity for the protection thereof, and of their right thereto.

Provision in behalf of certain Religious Societies, allowing lands to be held for their use by Trustees and their successors in perpetual succession.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That there shall not be held in trust for the purposes aforesaid more than Five Acres of Land for any one Congregation.

No one congregation shall hold more than five Acres.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That such Trustees shall, within Twelve months after the execution of such Deed, cause the same to be Registered in the Office of the Register of the County in which the Land lies.

Trust Deeds to be registered.

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all Conveyances made before the passing of this Act, for all or any of the pur-

Conveyances heretofore

fore made for the purposes of this Act made valid.

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poses aforesaid, shall be good and valid in Law in like manner as if the same had been made after the passing of this Act, and subject to the provisions of this Act, provided such Conveyance shall have been already Registered, or shall be hereafter Registered as aforesaid, within Twelve Months after the passing of this Act.

CHAP. III.

AN ACT to Amend the Assessment Laws of this Province.

[*Passed 25th March, 1828,*]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to enable persons holding Lands in the several Districts of this Province to pay the Rates and Taxes on the same to the Treasurer of the District in which they may reside.

Persons may, in certain cases, pay to the Treasurer of the District in which they reside, Taxes upon Lands situate in other Districts.

Receipts to be given.

Additional compensation to the Treasurer in such cases.

Be it therefore enacted, by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain entitled, "An Act to Repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign entitled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province,'" and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful, in certain cases, for any Person or Persons holding or owning Lands in any District of this Province, which are not returned on the Assessment Roll of any Township or place therein, to pay the Rates on such Lands to the Treasurer of the District in which he, she or they, or their Agent or Agents, may reside, and the Treasurer who may receive such Rates shall, and he is hereby required, on being requested so to do, to give a Receipt for the same, specifying the amount paid, the period for which it is paid, the Lot or Parcel of Land on which the same is paid, and the Concession and Township in which such Land is situated, and also the time or date of such payment: *Provided always*, that in all cases when the Rates as aforesaid shall be paid by virtue of this Act to the Treasurer of another District than that in which the Land on which such Rates are paid is situate, the person so paying the Rates, shall at the same time, pay to such Treasurer a sum equal to Five per Cent on said Rates in addition to such Rates, which per centage shall be retained by such Treasurer as a compensation for the duties imposed upon him by this Act.