

## SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 37.

## STATE OF MAINE.

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT to enable cities, towns, cemetery corporations, and trust companies to receive title to private cemeteries and to hold funds for repair of same.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows

SECTION 1. Any city, town, cemetery corpora-2 tion or trust company may accept any conveyance 3 of land not exceeding half of one acre, to be for-4 ever held, kept and used for a private or family bury-5 ing ground for the grantors and such of their heirs 6 and relations by blood or marriage as the conveyance 7 shall designate. Such lot and all erections thereon and 8 fixtures thereto which shall be suitable for its use or 9 adornment as a burying ground, shall be forever 10 inalienable and indivisible, and exempt from liability 11 for debt. Such city, town, corporation or company 12 may also accept and forever hold any donation or 13 legacy for insuring proper care and attention to 14 any burial lot or ground and the avenues thereof 15 and the monuments thereon. Having accepted 16 such donation or legacy, said trustee shall be 17 legally bound to perform the duties appertaining to 18 the trust as lawfully specified in the writing creat-19 ing the trust, or, in default of such specification, as 20 required by law, and as in cases of public charity.

SECT. 2. Every trust fund authorized by this act 2 shall be safely invested in United States, state, 3 county, city or town securities; and the annual 4 income only, shall be expended in performance of 5 the requirements of the trust.

SECT. 3. A copy of the record of the vote of 2 the trustee accepting a conveyance of lands under 3 this act shall be indorsed on the conveyance and 4 there certified by the clerk of the grantee, and re-5 corded in the registry of deeds with the conveyance.

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In House of Representatives, January 31, 1883.

Reported by Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, and ordered printed.

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ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.