

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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CHAPTER CXLVIII.

AN ACT to establish a Ministerial fund in the town of Raymond.

SECT. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That Mark Leach, Henry Jordan, Daniel Small, Joseph Wight, and Samuel Leach, be, and hereby are incorporated into a body politic by the name of the trustees of the Ministerial fund in Raymond; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal, and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs not repugnant to the laws of this State; and to sell and convey all the Ministerial land belonging to said town of Raymond; and any deed thereof duly executed and acknowledged by the treasurer of said corporation, by the direction of the trustees, shall be good and effectual in law to pass the same land to the purchaser. And the monies arising from such sale, as soon as may be, shall be put at interest by said trustees, and secured by mortgage of real estate, or by bond or note with two or more sufficient sureties, or invested in funded public securities on Bank stock.

Persons incorporated.

Powers, &c.

Trustees to sell lands;

monies appropriated.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the number of said trustees shall not be less than five, nor more than seven, any four of whom shall constitute a quorum for doing business; and shall at their annual meetings, which shall be holden on the day succeeding the annual meetings for the election of town officers in said town, elect by ballot, a president, a clerk and treasurer, the clerk shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duty; and the treasurer shall give bonds to the corporation in double the amount of their funds, with sufficient sureties for the faithful discharge of his trust. And the said town of Raymond may at any such annual town meeting, remove all or either of said trustees, or their successors, who shall have become incapable of discharging their duty, or who shall have removed from said town; and shall at such annual meeting fill all vacancies in said board of trustees by written ballot.

Number of Trustees fixed.

Annual meeting.

Officers to be chosen.

Town may remove trustees,

and fill vacancies.

Trustees to keep accounts & exhibit the same annually.

Interest appropriated.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said trustees shall keep separate accounts of the receipts and expenditures of the fund, accruing from the Ministerial lands, which accounts shall be annually exhibited to the town at the annual meeting for the choice of town officers ; and the interest shall be appropriated for the support of the Gospel Ministry in said town, in such manner as the town at their annual meeting shall direct, and as by law the fee, use, improvement and income of said Ministerial lands are now vested and appropriated.

May hold real and personal estate not exceeding a certain amount.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That said Trustees or their successors, be, and they hereby are, authorized to take, hold and possess, any estate, personal or real, by gift, grant or devise, for the use of the Gospel Ministry in said town, the yearly income whereof shall not exceed one thousand dollars.

Trustees responsible to the town.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That said trustees shall be responsible to the town of Raymond for the faithful discharge of their duty, and liable to pay all damages occasioned by their misconduct or negligence ; to be recovered by said town by action of the case in any court competent to try the same ; and the debt or damage so recovered shall be added to said fund.

Power granted may be altered, &c.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That the power granted by this Act may be enlarged, restrained, or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature.

First meeting.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That any one of the said trustees, be, and is hereby authorized to call the first meeting, by serving a written notice on each person named in this Act, of the time and place of such meeting, ten days at least before the time appointed for the same.

[This Act passed February 9, 1822.]

CHAPTER CXLIX.

AN ACT relating to the Ministerial funds of the Congregational Society in Buxton.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the Congrega-