

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

THIRD LEGISLATURE,

AT THE SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1823.

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PORTLAND:

BY TODD AND SMITH.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

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grant or devise, for the use of the public free schools in said town, the annual income of which shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars; and shall appropriate the same agreeably to the intention of the donors, grantors, or devisors, respectively.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the said Trustees shall be responsible to the town of Madison, 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 of competent jurisdiction to try the same; and the debt or damage, so recovered, shall be added to the said funds respectively. Trustees responsible to town

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 *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this act, may be enlarged, restrained or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature.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

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That David Rowell, be, and he hereby is authorized to call the first meeting of the corporation, at such time and place as he may direct, by notifying each Trustee of the time and place of meeting. First meeting.

[*This Act passed January 21, 1823.*]

CHAPTER CLX.

AN ACT to establish a ministerial and school Fund in the town of Weld.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That La Fayette Perkins, Abel Holt, Seth Ela, Samuel Gordon, David Sanborn and their successors, be, and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the Trustees of the Ministerial and School Funds in the town of Weld; 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 the said Trustees are hereby authorized and empowered to divide and set off the lands, granted to the first settled minister in said town, in equal parts, taking into consideration quantity and quality, to the Trustees' names, powers, &c.

To divide ministerial and school lands.

ministers of the congregational and baptist societies, now existing in said town, to them and to their use and benefit forever ; and to sell and convey all the ministerial and school lands, belonging to said town of Weld ; and any deed thereof, duly executed by a majority of the Trustees, and sealed with the seal of said corporation, shall be good and effectual in law, to pass the said lands to the purchaser: and the money arising from said 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 public funded securities or bank stock.

Mode of conveyance.

Proceeds to be put at interest.

Quorum of trustees.

Officers to be chosen at annual meeting.

Removal of Trustees.

Vacancies how filled.

Accounts to be kept and exhibited by Trustees.

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

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That said Trustees shall keep separate accounts of the receipts and expenditures of the funds accruing from the ministerial land, and of the funds accruing from the school land, which accounts shall be annually exhibited to the town, at their annual meeting for the choice of town officers. The interest of the ministerial fund shall be appropriated equally between the congregational and the baptist societies, which may exist in said town ; and the interest of the school fund shall be appropriated to the support of the public free schools

in said town, in the same manner, as money raised by law for that purpose. And it shall not be in the power of said town, or Trustees, to alienate said funds, or to alter the appropriation of the same, or either of them. Funds how appropriated.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That said Trustees and their successors, be, and they are hereby 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 annual income whereof shall not exceed one thousand dollars; and may take, hold and possess any estate personal or real, by gift, grant or devise, for the use of the public free schools in said town, the annual income whereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars; and shall appropriate the same agreeably to the intention of the donors, grantors or devisors, respectively. Trustees may receive funds, &c

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That said Trustees shall be responsible to the town of Weld 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 in an action of the case, in any Court of competent jurisdiction; and the debt or damage, so recovered, shall be added to the said funds respectively. Trustees responsible to the town

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the powers granted by this act, may be enlarged, restrained or repealed, at the pleasure of the Legislature. Powers granted may be restrained, &c.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That La Fayette Perkins, be, and he is hereby authorized to call the first meeting of said corporation, at such time and place as he may direct, by giving notice to each Trustee of the time and place of meeting. First meeting.

[*This Act passed January 21, 1823.*]

CHAPTER CLXI.

AN ACT to incorporate Alna Lodge.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That James L. Child, John M'Lean, George Jones, Sam- Persons incorporated.