

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

THIRD LEGISLATURE,

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CHAPTER CLXX.

AN ACT establishing a ministerial fund in the town of Temple.

- Trustees.** **SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Benjamin Abbot, Ephraim Conant, John Drury, Joshua Perley and Peter Smith, and their successors, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the Trustees of the Ministerial Fund in Temple; with power to sue and be sued, and 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 the State; and to sell all the lands in said town granted or reserved for the use of the ministry. And any deed thereof, duly executed and acknowledged by the Treasurer of said corporation, by the direction of the Trustees, shall be good and valid in law to pass the same lands to the purchaser; and the money arising from such sale, shall as soon as may be, 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 or bank stock.
- Powers, &c.**
- Ministerial lands to be sold and proceeds to be placed at interest.**
- Number of Trustees.** **SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That the number of said Trustees, shall not at any time be less than three, nor more than five, any three of whom shall constitute a quorum for doing business; and said Trustees shall at their annual meeting, which shall be held on the day succeeding the annual meeting for the choice of town officers, 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 Town Clerk of said Temple with sufficient sureties for the faithful discharge of his trust: And all vacancies that may happen in said board of Trustees by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by said town of Temple, at their annual meeting for the choice of town officers. And said town of Temple, may, at such annual meeting, remove any of said Trustees who shall have become incapable of discharging their duty, or who shall have removed from said town.
- Officers of the board.**
- Vacancies how filled.**
- Trustees to be removed.**

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said Trustees shall keep accurate accounts of the receipts and expenditures of the funds accruing as aforesaid, which shall be exhibited to the town of Temple aforesaid, at every annual town meeting for the choice of officers. And the interest arising from the fund hereby established, shall be annually appropriated to the support of the gospel ministry, and divided among the different religious orders, according to their respective numbers of rateable polls, or in such manner, as said town of Temple, may from time to time vote and direct.

Trustees to render an account of their doings annually to the town.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That said Trustees and their successors be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered 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 of Temple, the annual income whereof shall not exceed one thousand dollars.

Trustees may take and hold estate.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That the powers granted by this act may be enlarged, restrained or repealed at the pleasure of the Legislature.

Restrictions.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That Benjamin Abbot, one of the Trustees appointed by this act, may call the first meeting of said corporation, by giving personal notice to each Trustee of the time and place of such meeting.

First meeting.

[*This Act passed January 23, 1823.*]

CHAPTER CLXXI.

AN ACT authorizing the sale of ministerial and school lands in the towns of Dixfield and Mexico.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That Moses Park, Silas Barnard, Aaron Severy, Stephen Barnard and Nathaniel Graves, and their successors, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the trustees of the ministerial and school funds of Dixfield and Mexico; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal and to change

Trustees.

Powers.