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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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fellows and four overseers, due notice being given of the time and place.

SECT. 14. The act approved February fourteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to amend the charter of Bates College," so far as it is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and all acts and parts of acts so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

SECT. 15. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor, and when it shall have been accepted by the corporation of said college.

Act, when to take effect.

Approved January 14, 1873.

Chapter 193.

An act to incorporate the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches.

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

SECT. 1. The Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches is hereby created and declared to be a corporation and body politic for the promulgation and teaching of Unitarian Christianity, with all the powers and privileges usually given to and exercised and enjoyed by other institutions of like nature and purpose; and said corporation shall have and use a common seal, with power to prosecute and defend suits at law and in equity, and make all such by-laws, rules and regulations as are necessary to the government and management of its concerns and not repugnant to the laws of the state.

Name of corporation.

Purpose.

Powers and privileges.

SECT. 2. All the powers, privileges and duties hereby or hereafter granted to or imposed upon said corporation shall be exercised, enjoyed and performed by a board of trustees of not more than twenty-one and not less than fifteen in number, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

—vested in a board of trustees.

SECT. 3. Said trustees shall have power, from time to time, to elect, by ballot, a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, and appoint such other officers and agents as they may think necessary, fix the tenure of office of all such officers and agents, define their several powers and duties, and to remove any trustee or officer when in their opinion, by reason of age, removal from the state, misconduct, or other cause, he has become incapable or unfit to discharge the duties of said trustee or other officer; but no trustee shall be removed from his office except at a meeting duly called for that purpose, according to the by-laws established

Officers, how elected.

—tenure of office.

—how removed.

CHAP. 193. by said corporation, and of which, and of such proposed removal and the causes therefor, such trustee shall have had notice in writing, signed by the secretary of the board for the time being, at least one month prior to said meeting. Said notice may be served by some disinterested person, who shall make oath to a service on such trustee by giving him the notice in hand or leaving the same at his last or usual place of abode, if within the state. All officers and agents selected or appointed by said trustees shall be styled and considered the officers and agents of the corporation.

Officers and agents, how styled.

Vacancies in board of trustees.

—how filled.

—may be filled by order of supreme court in certain cases.

Order, how served.

Court may fill vacancies.

May hold real and personal estate and sell the same.

Proceeds, how applied.

Treasurer, bond of.

Board of trustees.

SECT. 4. All vacancies in said board of trustees arising from non-acceptance of the persons hereafter named as such, or from death, resignation, removal by vote of said board, or from any cause, shall be filled by election by ballot of the remaining trustees, from time to time, as such vacancies may occur, at a meeting duly called for that purpose; and if at any time the number of the trustees shall for any cause be reduced to less than fifteen, and shall so remain for the space of one year, any citizen of Maine may apply to any judge of the supreme judicial court, in vacation or term time, for an order on said trustees to appear at a law term to be holden in any law district in the state, which shall be served on the secretary of said board, if there be such secretary, and if not, then on any other officer of said board, or if there be no such officers known to said applicant, or to said judge, on any one of said trustees, in such manner as said judge may prescribe, at least one month prior to the day fixed upon for a hearing on such application; and at such hearing a majority of the full court shall decide what vacancies shall be filled, and shall appoint citizens of the state fit and suitable for the accomplishment of the purposes of the corporation, to fill such vacancies, and the persons so appointed shall perform the duties and have and exercise all the powers of trustees granted by this act.

SECT. 5. Said trustees for and in trust for said corporation may receive and hold by gift, grant, demise, devise, bequest or otherwise, real and personal estate to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and may sell, demise, grant, lease or otherwise dispose of the same, and apply the proceeds thereof for the promulgation and teaching of Unitarian christianity in any of the modes commonly in use in religious bodies and including aid given to Unitarian societies in this state or elsewhere.

SECT. 6. The treasurer elected by said board of trustees shall give a bond to the corporation for the faithful performance of his duties, in such penal sum as said trustees shall from time to time prescribe, having regard to the amount of funds in his charge.

SECT. 7. Samuel E. Spring, Theophilus C. Hersey, Mark P. Emery, Charles E. Jose of Portland, Edward E. Bourne, Edward W. Morton of Kennebunk, John T. G. Nichols, Benjamin F.

Hamilton of Saco, Samuel Titcomb of Augusta, Samuel Belcher of Farmington, Casneau Palfrey of Belfast, Partmon Houghton of Eastport, Edward A. Barnard of Calais, Charles P. Tenney of Houlton, Elias J. Hale of Foxcroft, Francis M. Sabine, William C. Crosby of Bangor, David N. Sheldon of Waterville, Amos D. Wheeler of Brunswick, John D. Hopkins of Ellsworth, and Charles J. Abbott of Castine are hereby appointed and constituted the first board of trustees for said corporation by the name of Trustees for the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches.

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Corporate name.

SECT. 8. Samuel E. Spring, Theophilus C. Hersey and Mark P. Emery or any two of them are hereby authorized to appoint the time and place for holding the first meeting of said trustees under this act by giving written notice thereof to each and every one of said trustees. Said notice may be given by depositing the same in the post office, addressed to said trustees postage paid, ten days prior to the day of said meeting.

First meeting,
how called.

Approved January 15, 1873.

Chapter 194.

An act authorizing Philip D. Yates and others to maintain a wharf in tide waters, in the town of Bristol.

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

SECT. 1. Philip D. Yates, James Nichols, Thomas Nichols, and David Chamberlain, of Bristol, their associates, heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build and maintain, in front of their land in Bristol, occupied by the Round pond oil works, a wharf extending into tide waters to secure a draught of water, if required, of twenty feet.

Authorized to
build a wharf.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 17, 1873.

Chapter 195.

An act authorizing Daniel Keene and others to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters, in the town of Bremen.

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

SECT. 1. Daniel Keene of Bremen, and J. E. Nichols of Bristol, their associates, heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized and

Authorized to
build a wharf.