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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 236.

An Act to incorporate the West Bowdoin Cemetery Association.

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

Section 1. Alonzo Purinton, N. S. Purinton, J. H. Cox, J. H. Doughty, J. H. Potter, T. T. Whitney, B. F. Toothaker, W. S. Cotton, M. H. Williams, S. W. Fisher, C. H. Holbrook, Guy M. Williams, E. T. Tibbetts and A. J. Holbrook, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the West Bowdoin Cemetery Association for the purpose of acquiring, holding, controlling, caring for, and improving ground set apart and used for burial purposes, situate and lying within an inclosure belonging to Alonzo Purinton in West Bowdoin in the town of Bowdoin, and said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities contained in the general laws existing or which may hereafter be in force relating to such corporation.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—purpose.

Corporate powers.

Section 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take possession and assume legal control of the burial place aforesaid whenever the same shall have been duly conveyed to it by the person holding legal title to the same. And said corporation shall hold the land of, and all other property, rights, and things appertaining to said burial place, for the same uses and purposes for which they are now held; and all rights which any persons have acquired therein shall remain valid to the same extent as if this act had not been passed.

May acquire additional land and enlarge cemetery.

—may hold bequests, etc.

Section 3. Said corporation may acquire by purchase, gift or devise, and hold in fee additional land to the extent of five acres for the purposes of enlarging said cemetery from time to time, and may hold such personal property as may be necessary for the purposes of the corporation; and said corporation is hereby authorized to take and hold any grant, donation or bequest of property upon trust, and to apply the same or its income to the improvement and beautifying of said cemetery, or for the construction, repair, preservation or renewal of any monument, fence or other structure, in the planting and cultivation of trees, shrubs or plants in or around any lot, or the improving of said premises in any other manner or form consistent with the purposes for which said cemetery is established, and in accordance with the terms of said grant, donation or bequest.

May have a seal, and establish by-laws.

Section 4. Said corporation may have a corporate seal to be used in its conveyances and for any of the usual purposes of such a seal, and may make and establish such by-laws for the government of its concerns as may be necessary, not conflicting with the laws of this state, and may issue stock.

Section 5. Said corporation, by its board of directors, shall have the care, control and general management, for purposes of preservation of the lands and grounds of said cemetery, and shall have power to institute legal proceedings for the punishment for any and all offenses committed therein.

Shall have control of grounds of cemetery.

Section 6. Any person who now is or may hereafter become a proprietor of a lot, by deed or otherwise, in the land mentioned in section one of this act, or in land hereafter acquired by said corporation, shall become a member of said corporation; and when any person shall cease to be a proprietor of a lot in the lands of said corporation he shall cease to be a member thereof.

Membership, how acquired.

Section 7. Deeds of lots in said cemetery shall be recorded in the county registry of deeds of said county on payment of the usual registry fee to the register of said county.

Deeds to be recorded.

Section 8. The officers of this corporation shall be a board of seven trustees, a clerk, a treasurer, and such other officers as its by-laws may prescribe, who shall hold office for such time and be elected in such manner as may be required by the by-laws of the corporation.

Corporate officers.

Section 9. The board of directors shall choose by ballot at their annual meeting a superintendent of burials.

Superintendent of burials, how chosen.

Section 10. The treasurer of said corporation shall be required to give bond with sureties in such sum as the board of directors may deem sufficient.

Treasurer shall give bonds.

Section 11. The annual and special meetings of this corporation shall be holden at such time and place and such notices thereof shall be given as the by-laws direct.

Annual and special meetings.

Section 12. Any three of the corporators are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of this corporation by posting notices thereof in three public places in the vicinity, seven days at least before said meeting.

First meeting, how called.

Section 13. This act shall take effect when approved.