Amendments to Religious Society Bill. Seal of the said Court, to hold to them and their Successors in perpetual succession, for ever, in mortmain, by the name expressed in such License or permission, any quantity of land requisite for the site of a Church, Meeting House, Chapel, Burying Ground, residence for the Minister, Priest or Religious Teacher, or other person administering Religious duties of such Congregation and School Houses, and the appurtenances thereunto which may be necessary for the said several purposes, to be specified in such Petition, provided there shall not be held in trust for the purposes aforesaid, under any such License or permission, as aforesaid, more than ten acres of land for any one Congregation."

Ibid. Line 38.—Before the third Clause of the Bill, insert the following Clauses:

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"And be it enacted, that under and by virtue of such License or permission, it shall and may be lawful for such Trustees, to accept and take a conveyance to them and their successors in mortmain of the lands to be mentioned and set forth in such Petition as aforesaid, and they and their successors in perpetual succession, by the name expressed in such License or permission, be capable of holding and possessing such land in mortmain for ever, and of commencing and maintaining any action or actions at Law or in Equity for the protection thereof, and of their right thereto. Provided always, and be it enacted, that it shall not be lawful for the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, or other the person administering the duties of the Judge of the High Court of Chancery, in this Province, to grant any such License or permission for the benefit of any such Society as aforesaid, whose Members at the time of the application to the said Court, shall not amount at least, to fifty heads of families.

B

"And be it enacted that the Ministers. Wardens, Deacons, or other parties holding office, in any such Congregation, to whom any such License or permission shall be granted as aforesaid, shall within twelve months after execution of any Deed, whereby such lands shall be conveyed to them under and by virtue of such License or permission, cause the same to be registered in the office of the Registrar of the County in which the land shall happen to be."

Press 2, Line 10.—After the fourth clause of the Bill, insert the following clause:

"And be it enacted that this Act shall be in force and effect and extend only to that part of the Province of Canada, formerly known as Upper Canada."

Preamble, Line 1.—After "whereas" leave out all the words to "case" in the 8th Line, inclusively; and insert, "by an Act of the Parliament of that part of the Province of Canada, heretofore called Upper Canada, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned, "after

reciting, that Religious Societies Amendments of various Denominations of Christo Religious Of various Denominations of Christophy in sec. Society Bill. tians have found difficulty in securing the titles of lands requisite for the site of a Church, Meeting House, or Chapel, or Burying Ground, for want of a corporate capacity, to take and hold the same, in perpetual succession, and that it was expedient to provide some safe and adequate relief in such cases, it was enacted, that whenever any Religious Congregation or Society of Presbyterians, Lutherans, Calvinists, Methodists, Congregationalists, Independents, Anabaptists, Quakers, Menonists, Tunkers or Moravians, should have occasion to take a con-veyance of land for any of the uses aforesaid, it should and might be lawful for them to appoint Trustees, to whom and their Successors, to be appointed in such manner as should be specified in the deed, the land requisite for all or any of the pur-poses aforesaid might be conveyed, and such Trustees and their Successors in perpetual succession, by the name expressed in such deed, should be capable of taking, holding, and possessing, such land, and of commencing and maintaining any Action or Actions in Law or Equity, for the protection thereof and of their right thereto; and it was further enacted, that there should not be held in trust for the purposes aforesaid, more than five acres of land for any one Congregation; and whereas it is expedient to extend the relief afforded by the said recited Act as well to the Societies therein named, as to all other Societies of professing Christians of every denomination."

Title, Line 1.—After "to" leave out the remainder of the Title, and insert "provide for the relief of certain Religious Societies."

After which the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Morris took the Chair of the Committee and after some time spent therein.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. Morris reported, that the Committee had gone through the amendments, and had unanimously disagreed to the same, and the Report was again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

Resolved, That a Select Committee of five Members be appointed, to draw up reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council at a conference, for disagreeing to the amendments made by their Honours to the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable Religious Societies of all Denominations of Christians (in that part of the Province called Upper-Canada.) to hold the lands requisite for certain purposes therein mentioned," and that the said Committee be composed of Mr. Williams, the Honourable Mr. Hincks, the Honourable Mr. Solicitor General Small, Mr. Boswell, and the Honourable Mr. Neilson.