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ACT OF ASSEMBLY

An Act for the Incorporation of certain Bodies in connection with the Eastern and Western Baptist Associations.

PASSED 12TH APRIL, 1855

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Whereas certain persons are associated together in Churches constituting a religious community known as the Baptist Church in connection with the Eastern and Western Baptist Association; and whereas sundry chapels and other buildings have been erected, and such churches in the several Counties of this Province, or for educational or other benevolent objects in connection therewith, and inconveniences have been experienced in managing the same by Trustees without being incorporated for that purpose:—

Be it therefore enacted by that purpose:—
Council, and Assembly,

1. Every Board of Trustees of any Chapel or of a

1. Every Board of Trustees of any Chapel or Seminary for education, and land and buildings held therewith, or held for the purpose of erecting any Chapel or Seminary thereon for the use and benefit of any Baptist church in connection with the Eastern and Western New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any New Baptist Association, or other Society, to be hereafter chosen for any such purpose, and their successors, shall be a body corporate by any such purchase of land for the purpose of erecting any Chapel or Seminary for education, and land and buildings held therewith, or held for the purpose of erecting any Chapel or Seminary thereon for the use and benefit of any Baptist church in connection with the Eastern and Western New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any New Brunswick Baptist Association, or in connection with any New Baptist Association, or other Society, to be hereafter chosen for any such purpose, and their successors, shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Trustees of the Baptist Chapel," or other property as the case may be, in the place in which the trust property may be situate, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, power to sue and be sued, a common seal renewable at pleasure, power to sue and be sued, a common seal renewable at pleasure, power to sue and be sued, real and personal estate, and improve, sell, let, or assign the same, or any part thereof, or any interest in or arising out of the same, or make bye-laws, and exercise such other powers as are conferred by law for the purpose of managing the temporal affairs of the said chapel, or other property for the benefit of the Church to which the same may belong, or the educational or other objects to which the same may be devoted.

2. All Chappels or other property as aforesaid to which it may be devoted.

2. All Chapels or other property as aforesaid, held in trust as aforesaid in any part of the Province, shall be subject to the provisions of this Act whenever a Board of Trustees to manage the same shall be elected as hereinafter mentioned, and a conveyance thereof shall be made to the Corporation by the existing Trustees; and the said Corporation shall then hold the same for the purposes aforesaid, being good a title, legal and equitable, as such Trustees shall think fit in the conveyance.

3. Every such Church, together with the congregation regularly attending and contributing to its funds by pew rents or otherwise, may annually at such time and in such manner as each Church shall prescribe by the male members present at any meeting for the purpose, elect any number of Trustees, not less than three nor more than nine, from among the male members of the said Church or congregation, or both, who shall continue in office for one year, or until others are elected in their stead.