

and through their congregations to said fund, in terms of the by-laws thereof, shall receive annuities at a rate not lower than the scale fixed by this Board previous to the date of union, if the funds permit; provided that the ministers whose widows or orphans shall be placed on the list of annuitants on the said Board, after the union, shall have continued to contribute to the said fund six dollars semi-annually as heretofore, and shall have secured annual contributions from their congregations to said fund.

4. That as soon as an arrangement for the establishment of a fund for the benefit of the ministers' widows and orphans of the united Church, satisfactory to this Board, as representing the interests of the widows and orphans of those ministers who had formerly belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, shall have been made by the Supreme Court of the united Church, this Board shall be empowered to hand over to such Board or committee as may be created for the management of such new fund for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the ministers of the united Church, all moneys, properties and mortgages they shall at the time hold; provided always, that no widow or orphan of a minister, who had formerly belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, shall receive less annuities from the fund of the united Church than would have pertained to them, in terms of the scale in force by this Board at the date of union, if the said churches had not united.

5. That in the event of any minister or ministers of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, who shall possess rights in this fund at the date of said union, declining to enter into the united Church, he or they shall be entitled to the same pecuniary rights and claims in and upon said fund, after such union, as shall be possessed by them previous to said union; provided those ministers thus declining to enter the united church, continue to contribute to the fund, personally, six dollars semi-annually, and, except in the case of ministers who have retired from the active duties of the ministry, with the consent of the said Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, to secure contributions for it from their congregations or otherwise, and comply with such other regulations as may be made, after the union, for the management of the fund.

6. All provisions contained in any previous Act, or amendment thereto, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, relating to the said managers of the ministers' widows' and orphans' fund, are hereby repealed.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

An Act to Amend the Act intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Board for the Management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland."

[Assented to 23rd February, 1875.]

Whereas by Petition it hath been represented that the Synods of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, of the Church of the Maritime Provinces in connection with the Church of Scotland, of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces and the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church have agreed to unite together, and to form one body or denomination of Christians, under the name of "The Presbyterian Church in Canada;" and that the "Act to incorporate the Board for the manage-