

by the Ministers, and for the better and more effectual administration of the discipline of the Church, the Province, or part thereof, occupied by such Ministers, is divided into convenient Sections, called Circuits, and the Classes, Societies, and Congregations within each Circuit respectively, are placed from year to year under the pastoral care of one or more of the Ministers appointed to such Circuit by, or by authority of, the Conference, and one of whom so appointed to each Circuit, is called the Superintendent thereof; and in each of such Circuits certain persons are from time to time appointed, according to such rules and usages to the offices of Circuit Stewards, to assist in managing the Financial affairs of such Circuits; and certain persons are from time to time appointed or recognized, according to such rules and usages, as Trustees of Chapels, or Parsonage Houses, or Burial Grounds, or other Lands or Property required for the use of the Church within the Circuits respectively.

And whereas, for the more convenient regulation of the affairs of the Church, a number of such Circuits are associated together by authority of the Conference, and every such association of Circuits is called a District, and a yearly assembly of the Ministers in every such District is held and called the District Meeting of ——— the business of which is generally presided over by one of the Ministers, who is called the Chairman of the District, and the general Superintendent of Missions therein, and who is appointed to his office by the Conference.

And whereas it is necessary that greater facilities should be enjoyed by the Church for holding, possessing and using Lands and other Property for the support of Public Worship, and for the propagation of Christian Knowledge, and for the constituting and managing of Funds and Institutions for the several and general religious and benevolent objects of the Church.

And whereas at sundry times heretofore, Lands and other Property have been conveyed, by Devise, or by Deeds of Gift, or by Deeds of Bargain and Sale, or by other Deeds or Instruments, to the Church Officers, or other parties named or signified in such Deeds or Instruments or Devises in trust, for the use and benefit of the Church, some of which Deeds or Instruments or Devises are defective as not containing necessary directions for the appointment of Successors for the trusts respectively created, or as being in other respects not accordant with such rules and usages, from which defectiveness inconveniences have arisen, or are liable to arise, which it is necessary to remedy, and in the future to prevent:

*Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:*

I. Each Board of Trustees of any Chapel, Parsonage House, Burial Ground, School House, or other Property held in trust for the use and benefit of such Church in connexion with the Conference, and their Successors, and each Board of Trustees to be hereafter appointed according to the rules and usages for such purposes, and their Successors, shall be a Body Corporate, having perpetual succession, by the name of the "Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel," or Burial Ground, or other Property, as the case may be, in the place in which the Trust Property shall be situated, or by such other name as is or shall be mentioned in the Trust Deed, or other Act or Instrument by which the trusts respectively are or shall be created.

Board of Trustees to be a Body Corporate.

II. The Wesleyan Methodist Ministers now constituting any such District Meeting, and their Successors, or who shall be hereafter by authority of the Conference, constituted a District Meeting, and their Successors, shall be a Body Corporate, having perpetual succession, by the name of the Wesleyan District Meeting of the District, as the case may be.

District Meetings Incorporated.

III. Each of the Corporations of Trustees hereby constituted, or to be hereafter constituted by virtue hereof, shall be capable of taking, holding, and possessing Lands, Tenements, Monies, and other Property heretofore conveyed to them, or which shall

Trustees may hold Lands, &c.

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