

mission fund for aiding weak charges in the united church; and vacancies in the meantime occurring in said Board shall not be filled up in the manner hitherto observed, but shall be filled up in the manner provided by an act passed during the present session, intituled "An Act to amend 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."

12. And whereas "the Canada Presbyterian Church" and "the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland," have each of them a fund for the benefit of widows and orphans of ministers pertaining to them respectively, and it is not deemed desirable that two such funds should long exist separately after the union, nor that there should be two separate organizations for the management thereof: it is therefore enacted that said two funds shall be kept separate, and the separate and distinct management and administration thereof continued by the Boards respectively having the management and control thereof at the time of the union, so long only, and until the Supreme Court of said united Church shall have made provision for the amalgamation of said two funds and the management thereof, whereupon the said two separate organizations shall become extinct, and the said two funds shall pass to and vest in the trustees, body or persons indicated for the management thereof by the said Supreme Court; and, until such provision is made, vacancies occurring in either of said respective organizations shall not be filled up as hitherto, but shall be filled up by the remaining members of each of said organizations for their respective bodies.

13. As soon as the said union takes place, the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and any college, educational or other institution or trusts in connection with the said Church, and any of the religious, educational or charitable schemes of the said Church, and any congregation of the said Church, in the Province of Quebec, may, by the name thereof, or by the trustees, from time to time take or hold by gift, devise or bequest, any lands or tenements or interests therein, other than what may be required for the site of any church, chapel, meeting-house, school, manse, glebe, burial-ground, or appurtenances, if such gift, devise or bequest be made at least six months before the death of the person making the same; but no lands, tenements or interests therein so acquired by gift, devise or bequest, other than what may be required or destined for the site of any church, chapel, meeting-house, school, manse, glebe, burial-ground or appurtenances, shall be held for a longer period than seven years after the acquisition thereof, and any part or portion thereof or interests therein, which may not within the same period have been alienated or disposed of, shall revert to the party from whom the same was acquired, his heirs, or other representatives, and the proceeds of such property as shall have been disposed of during said period may be invested in public securities, municipal debentures, stocks of the chartered banks, or other approved securities.

14. The union of the said four Churches shall take place so soon as a notice shall have been published in the Quebec *Official Gazette*, to the effect that the Articles of such union have been signed by the Moderators of the said respective Churches.

15. In so far as it has authority to do so, the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, hereby authorizes the Dominion Legislature, and the several Legislatures of the other Provinces to pass such laws as will recognize and approve of such union throughout and within their respective jurisdiction.