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(PRIVATE BILL.)

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An Act to enable the Trustees and Members of Zion Church in Montreal, to alienate and hypothecate certain property of the said Church, and for other purposes.

Received and Read First time, Friday, 13th Oct., 1854.

Second Reading, Wednesday, 18th Oct., 1854.

Mr. Dorion of Montreal.

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No. 125.

An Act to enable the Trustees and Members of Zion Church in Montreal, to alienate and hypothecate certain property of the said Church, and for other purposes.

HEREAS the Trustees and Members of Zion Church, in the City of Preamble. Montreal, having by their Petition to the Legislature, represented that they have disposed of certain real property, upon which their former Church was erected, and have acquired other property, and erected a 5 new Church thereon, in place of their former Church; but cannot legally perfect the conveyance of their former property, nor hypothecate their present property, for security of advances made for the same; and they are moreover desirous to borrow a sum of money for the re-payment of the same advances, and the completion of their present Church, and to 10 dispose of the same, and purchase other more convenient property for the same purpose if required; and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition; Be it therefore enacted, &c., as follows:-

The Rev. Henry Wilkes, D.D., Pastor of the said Church, and Thomas Who shall be M. Taylor, John Leeming, Alexander F. Sabine, David Lewis, William Members of 15 Rodden, Alfred Savage and Henry Lyman, all of Montreal, Trustees of the Church. said Church, and Henry Vennor, John Dougall, Charles Alexander, John Wood, J. W. Howes, John Birks, Sibley Forester, James C. Beers also of Montreal, and such other persons as are now members of Zion Church, together with such persons as shall become members of the said 20 Church, according to its rules of government, shall be, and be held to be, members of said Church: The certificate of the Pastor of the Church for the time being, to be held to be legal proof of such membership.

II. Whenever the said Thomas M. Taylor, John Leeming, Alex. F. Trustees being Sabine, David Lewis, William Rodden, Alfred Savage and Henry thereunto au thorized by a 25 Lyman, Trustees aforesaid of Zion Church, or their successors in office, vote of the appointed to act as such in accordance with the provisions of a certain Members of Trust Deed, passed before Joseph Belle and Colleague, Notaries, on the the Church, may make or thirteenth day of August, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight confirm a deed Hundred and Forty-Five, and insinuated in the Office of the Prothonotary of alienation of 30 of the District of Montreal, as provided by the Ordinance of the hereto- certain profore Province of Lower Canada, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Perty. Reign, intituled, "An Ordinance to suspend an Act passed in the 10th and 11th years of the reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for the relief of certain Religious Congregations therein mentioned, and to 35 make other Legislative provision in the place thereof," shall be authorised by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the said Church, worshipping together as such, in Church Meeting assembled, or by written authorisation to that effect, the certificate of the Pastor and Secretary of the Church for the time being, to be held to be legal proof of such vote and authorisation :-It

shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or their successors in office, as aforesaid, to sell, alienate, and convey, by good and sufficient title, or to ratify, confirm, and give effect, to any such title heretofore made by them, as fully and effectually, as if the trustees for the time being had been legally authorised thereto and therefor, to a certain emplacement situate, lying 5 and being in the St. Joseph Suburbs, Montreal, bounded in front by St. Maurice Street, on one side by the property of Charles Austin, on the rear by the heirs of the late Emery Cushing, and on one side by Longueuil Lane, together with a stone building thereon erected, formerly used as a place of Worship, and a brick addition or vestry thereto attached, together 10 with all and every, the members and appurtenances thereto belonging.

Being so authorized, they may borrow money and tain estate.

III. It shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or their successors in office, whenever authorized to that effect, by a vote of two-thirds of the members of said Church, either orally, or in writing, or both as aforesaid, to borrow mortgage cer- any sum, or sums of money, not exceeding Three Thousand Pounds, cur- 15 rent money of the Province, for the use and relief of said Church, and to give security by mortgage, or hypothec on the real estate of said Church, and to sign such act or deed of mortage, as such Trustees, which shall thereupon, to all intents and purposes, be a valid mortgage, and security upon the said Real Estate.

Being so autherized, they may sell certain other estate.

IV. It shall be lawful for the said Trustees, or their successors in office, whenever duly authorized to that effect, by a vote of two-thirds of the members of said Church, orally, or in writing, as aforesaid, to sell, alienate and convey, by a good and sufficient title, under their signatures, all or any part or portion of the Real Estate of the said Church, provided that the 25 proceeds or avails of such sale shall be forthwith re-invested for the religious purposes of said Church, and for the maintenance of the ordinances of Public Worship, according to the forms and polity of an Orthodox Congregational or Independent Church, as provided in the "Rules and Regulations" of the Church, appended to a certain Trust Deed, executed by 30 Joseph Belle and colleague Notries as aforesaid.

Right of the Crown, &c., eaved.

V. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect in any manner or way the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any person or persons, or of any body politic or corporate, such only excepted, as are herein mentioned and provided for.

Public Act.

VI. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.