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No. 135.

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2nd Session, 3rd Parliament, 12 Victoria, 1849.

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## BILL.

To enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages, and other Trusts belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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Received and Read a first time, Thursday,  
1st March, 1849.

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MR. FLINT.

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**B I L L.**

An Act to enable the Trustees of Churches and Parsonages and other Trusts belonging to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, more conveniently to manage and dispose of their Estates.

**W**HEREAS by virtue of an Act of the Preamble.  
 Parliament of the Province of Upper  
 Canada, passed in the ninth year of the  
 Reign of King George the Fourth, inti- Act U. C. 9  
 5 tuled, "*An Act for the relief of the Reli-* Geo. 4, c. 2.  
*gious Societies therein mentioned,*" and of  
 another Act of the Parliament of the  
 said Province, passed in the third year of  
 Her Majesty's Reign, Religious Congrega-  
 10 tions or Societies of the Wesleyan Metho-  
 dist Church in Canada, by Trustees, as au-  
 thorized by the said Acts, have in several  
 instances acquired certain lands, which, from  
 circumstances, have become inappropriate  
 15 for the purposes for which the same were  
 obtained, and the said Trustees are unable  
 either to exchange or otherwise to dispose  
 of the same for the Trust purposes, and are  
 also prevented from raising money, either by  
 20 way of loan or of rental, on the Trust estate,  
 notwithstanding it would in many instances,  
 manifestly subserve the best interests of the  
 said Trusts: And whereas it would be  
 beneficial to the said Trusts to facilitate the  
 25 management and disposal of the Trust pro-  
 perty by the respective Trustees, subject  
 however in all cases, to the consent of the  
 Conference of said Church:—Be it there-  
 fore enacted, &c.,

30 And it is hereby enacted, by the authority of Trustees em-  
 the same, That it shall and may be lawful powered to  
 for the Trustees for the time being, of each convey the

Trust property with the consent of the Conference.

Effect of the receipt of the Trustees.

of the religious congregations of the said Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada, and the said Trustees of each respective congregation are, as such Trustees, hereby authorized, from time to time upon the express consent of the Conference of the said Wesleyan Methodist Church, first had therefor, by deed under their hand and seal of office, (which seal each body of Trustees is hereby empowered to have and make, and from time to time to alter) to lease, mortgage, sell and convey or exchange such of the lands and tenements held or to be held, by any of the respective Trustees, in such portions and in such manner, as from time to time may be deemed by the Trustees thereof, necessary and useful for the purposes connected with the particular Trust; subject nevertheless to the consent of the Conference as aforesaid: and the receipt of the Trustees for the purchase money in any such deed mentioned, shall be an absolute discharge to the purchaser, who shall be in no way bound to see to the application of the same, or of any part thereof.