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An Act to Incorporate the Minister and Trustees of Saint Andrew's Church, Cardigan, Township Number Fifty-three.

[Passed May 11, 1866.]

WHEREAS on the Sixteenth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, George Alley, of Cardigan, Township Number Fifty-three, did, by a certain Indenture under his hand and seal, give and grant unto Peter McDonald, John McEachren, Murdoch McPhee and Alexander Sutherland, a certain tract or parcel of Land, with the appurtenances, situated on said Township, as a site for a Church, in connection with, and governed by, and according to the faith, rites, regulations and discipline of the Kirk of Scotland, as established by Law, which said piece or parcel of Land is more particularly described and set forth in said Deed, registered in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds for this Island; and whereas, sundry inhabitants of the District of Cardigan, and its vicinity, have erected a Church on the aforesaid Land: and whereas it would prove highly advantageous to the said Church that a Board of Trustees, with a Corporate capacity, should be incorporated:

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly: That William Alley, Donald Stewart, John Kaneen, Magnus More, John McMillan, George Sutherland, Charles Crawford, having been chosen by the said Congregation to act as Trustees, shall be and they and their successors in office, in addition to, and together with, the Minister for the time being, are hereby constituted and declared a Body Corporate, under and by the name and style of "The Minister and Trustees of Saint Andrew's Church, Cardigan," and shall continue in Office until the second Tuesday in January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven; and they, and their successors in office for ever, shall have a common seal, with power to break, change and alter the same, from time to time, at pleasure, and shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, defending and being defended, answering and being answered unto in all Courts of Judicature in all manner of actions, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever; and also of contracting and

being contracted with relative to the funds of the said Corporation, and the business and purposes for which it is hereby constituted as hereinafter declared, and may establish and put in execution, alter or repeal such by-laws, rules or regulations as shall not be contrary to the Constitution and Laws of this Island, or the provisions of this Act, or to the Constitution of the Church of Scotland, as may appear to the said Corporation necessary and expedient for the interests thereof, and for these purposes to appoint their own Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary, and other officers, and three of the members of said Corporation shall form a quorum for and in all matters and things to be done and disposed of by the said Corporation.

II. After the passing of this Act, there shall annually be chosen, by such of the Congregation of said Church qualified to vote as hereinafter mentioned, seven persons, whose qualification for office shall be the same as that of electors, as hereinafter mentioned; and such seven persons, so chosen or elected, shall be in lieu of the Trustees appointed under this Act.

III. Every male person of the age of twenty-one years, or upwards, who shall hold and pay for one whole pew, or one half pew, in said Church, and who shall not be in arrear of rent for the same, or who shall have subscribed or paid into the funds of the Corporation, annually, the sum of ten shillings of current money of the said Island, and who shall not be in arrear for the same, shall be qualified to vote at the election of Trustees hereinbefore mentioned.

IV. The first election of Trustees, under this Act, shall take place on the second Tuesday of January, which will be in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and all future elections shall take place on the same day in every year in all time coming; and it shall be the duty of said Trustees hereafter elected to office, to give notice, under signature of the Secretary, and by authority of the Board, of the hour and place of holding such election, by an intimation read by the Minister from the Pulpit on the two Sabbaths immediately preceding; or in case of a vacancy, by causing to be inserted twice, in one of the Island newspapers, an advertisement of the hour and place of such meeting, at which time and place electors qualified as aforesaid shall choose a Chairman, and proceed to the election of seven persons, qualified as aforesaid, to fill the office of Trustees for the ensuing year, the Chairman of