

No. 165.

AN ACT

Relative to the "Trustees of the Theological seminary of the German Reformed church in the United States," now located at Mercersburg, Franklin county, Pennsylvania.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Certain citizens of this commonwealth obtained a charter in 1831, incorporating them and their successors, under the provisions of the act of 1791, by the name, style and title of "Trustees of the Theological seminary of the German Reformed church in the United States," now located in Mercersburg, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, the annual income of which corporation is limited to £500 by said act of 1791, and to \$2,000 by the act of 8th of April, 1833; and by the terms of said charter the synod of said church is vested with the power of annually changing one-third the members of said corporation, by election; of managing and disposing of its funds; of establishing professorships in literature, science and theology; of appointing the salaries and prescribing the duties of the professors; and of appointing a board of visitors, to whom the internal government of said institution is committed; by which it is shown that said seminary is under the direction and patronage of said synod, for the purpose of promoting education and the christian religion:

And whereas, The said synod embraces the territory of Maryland, and parts of Virginia and North Carolina, as well as the whole of Pennsylvania; and the usefulness of said institution would be augmented, by enabling said synod to select members of said corporation, as it deemed best, from the citizens of other states, belonging to said German Reformed church:

And whereas, In view of the laudable objects of said corporation, it is believed that its annual income may be greatly enlarged, and its capacity for usefulness be extended, by relieving it from the restrictions of the said acts of assembly:

Therefore,

SECTION 1. *It is hereby enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That from and after the passage of this act, the corporation, known by the name, style and title of the "Trustees of the Theological seminary of the German Reformed church in the United States," shall be enabled, and have full power and authority to elect members of the same, such citizens of other states, in the United States, as it may consider fit and proper, in conformity to the manner and provisions of its charter: but in no case shall a majority of the trustees, so elected, be residents of other states; and also shall be able and capable in law, for the purposes specified in its said charter, to take, receive and hold all and all manner of lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and hereditaments, and any sum and sums of money, and any manner and portion of goods and chattels, given and bequeathed to it or otherwise acquired by it; notwithstanding the annual income thereof shall in no event exceed the

Election of members.

Annual income limited.

sum of ten thousand dollars, anything contained in any act of assembly heretofore passed, to the contrary notwithstanding.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 166.

SUPPLEMENT

To an act to incorporate the Cumberland Valley mutual protection company of Dickinson township, Cumberland county, passed the ninth of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the business of the said corporation shall be carried on and conducted in the county of Cumberland, and at such place in said county as shall be designated by the board of directors at any regular meeting.

SECTION 2. The said Cumberland Valley mutual protection company Powers, privileges and be subject to all the restrictions and limitations which are imposed upon and granted to the Bradford county mutual insurance company, by an act of assembly passed the thirteenth of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Bradford county mutual insurance company, and for other purposes."

SECTION 3. That all the provisions of the original act passed the ninth March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and the supplement thereto, passed the eighteenth April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, to which this act is a further supplement, and which are inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.