

No. 293.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal church at Tunkhannock, in the county of Luzerne, and for other purposes," approved the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, relating to the Methodist church in the borough of Norristown, Montgomery county.

Preamble. WHEREAS, By the fifth section of the act to which this is a supplement, the members of the Episcopal church at Norristown, in the county of Montgomery, were enacted into a corporation with the style and title of "The Methodist Episcopal church of the borough of Norristown," with the right to exercise the powers and privileges granted by law to the Presbyterian congregation of Athens:

And whereas, The members of the said Methodist Episcopal church are desirous of having certain changes and modifications effected in their said charter; therefore,

Name. 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 name of the said corporation shall continue to be the "Methodist Episcopal church of the borough of Norristown," by which name they shall in law be capable of suing and of being sued, and of taking and holding lands, tenements, goods, chattles of whatsoever kind, nature or quality, real, personal or mixed, which now is or hereafter shall become the property of said corporation, or to be held for the use, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, conveyance, devise, bequest or otherwise, from any person whomsoever, capable of making the same; and the same to grant, bargain, sell, mortgage, improve or dispose of for the use of and benefit of said church: *Provided,* That the yearly value or income of the said estates shall not, at any one time, exceed two thousand and five hundred dollars, and shall not be appropriated to any other than benevolent or religious purposes.

Trustees. SECTION 2. The business of said corporation shall be conducted by seven trustees, who shall choose from their number a president and secretary, and may appoint a treasurer and other officers they may deem necessary.

Officers. SECTION 3. On the first Monday in March, in the year Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, the members of said corporation shall elect seven persons to serve as trustees, three for three years, three for two years, and one for one year; the term of service to be designated by the electors on their ballots; and their places respectively shall be supplied by the annual election on the first Monday of March, in each succeeding year, of three persons or one, as the case may be, all of whom must be members of the Methodist Episcopal church of one year's standing: *Provided,* That in case of vacancy by death or otherwise, the remaining trustees shall choose a person to supply the same until the next election; and all elections which shall be held by said corporation, shall be conducted by three inspectors, who shall be chosen by the electors present at the time and place of election: *And provided also,* That no person shall be entitled to a

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vote at said elections but a regular male member of the Methodist Episcopal church of one year's standing.

SECTION 4. The said trustees and their successors shall have full power to enact and enforce such by-laws and ordinances as they shall think proper for the regulation and transaction of the business of the said corporation; and to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at their pleasure; to change the time and place of holding the annual election, as the same may be found convenient; and if the qualified voters neglect on the day of the annual meeting to hold their election, the trustees may appoint any subsequent time, on which the election shall be held: *Provided*, That notice of such time and place shall be publicly given on the Lord's day, at least one week before the time of holding such election; and also, that the said by-laws and ordinances be framed, enacted and promulgated, and all the acts of said corporation shall be in conformity with the rules and principles of the general Methodist Episcopal church in the United States, existing and established at the time the enactment thereof, and not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

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A N A C T

To limit the indebtedness, and to provide for the gradual extinguishment of the debt of the city of Pittsburg, and for the improvement of the streets, lanes and alleys of said city.

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 it shall be the duty of the select and common councils of the city of Pittsburg, within thirty days after the passage of this act, to meet and adopt such measures as shall be necessary for creating, establishing and providing for a sinking fund, and the safe and proper management of the same, for the gradual and certain extinguishment of the debt of the said city; that the said councils be and are hereby authorized to pass, ordain and establish such and so many laws, ordinances, resolutions and regulations as may from time to time be expedient for carrying fully into effect the duty in this act enjoined, and the authority and power hereby granted.