

insolvent debtor under the laws of this commonwealth now in force for the relief of insolvent debtors who severally are indebted or owe to any one creditor to the value of forty shillings and upwards would or may be, although the said Henry Cleland Baker, Joseph Richard Robeson, Benjamin Burton and Robert Hunter or either of them may not have resided within this state for the space of two years next before their or his imprisonment or confinement aforesaid.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if any creditor or creditors of the said Henry Cleland Baker, Joseph Richard Robeson, Benjamin Burton and Robert Hunter or either of them do or shall not reside within this state at the time of such proceeding before the said court, that the service of notice of the application to the said court or of any rule or order of the same court in the premises, on the known agent or attorney within this state of such creditor or creditors shall be equally good and effectual as if the same notice or notices were served on the person or persons of such creditor or creditors, but if such creditor or creditors shall have no such agent or attorney within this state, the said court on satisfactory proof that due diligence has been used to find out such agent or attorney and that none can be found, shall and may, notwithstanding, proceed to discharge any such debtor in like manner as if such notice had been actually given.

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CHAPTER MCCCCLXXXVI.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION OF
TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF CHESTER.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas divers members of the Presbyterian Congregation of the township of Tredyffrin in the county of Chester have prayed that the said congregation may

be incorporated and by law enabled to recover, receive and hold bequests, legacies and donations which have or may be made to the same congregation:

And whereas it is just and right and also agreeable to the true spirit of the constitution that the prayer of their said petition be granted:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and by the authority of the same, That John Davis, John Christie, John Griffith, John Templeton, David Wilson, David Cloyd, John Maxwell, Robert Todd, Thomas Harris, Matthew Nearly, James Davis, Thomas R. Kennedy and their successors to be twelve in number and to be duly elected as herein after is directed, be and they are hereby made and constituted one body politic and corporate in law and in fact to have continuance forever by the name, style and title of "The Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregation of the Township of Tredyffrin in the County of Chester."

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said trustees and their successors by the name, style and title aforesaid, shall forever hereafter be capable [in law] as well to take, receive and hold all and all manner of lands and other real and personal estate which have at any time or times heretofore been granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed, released, devised or otherwise given, granted or bequeathed to the said religious society and congregation. And the said trustees and their successors are hereby declared to be seized and possessed of such estate therein and for the same uses and intents as in and by the respective grant, devise or other instrument is set forth and limited. And moreover, the said trustees and their successors at all times hereafter shall be able and capable to purchase, take, hold and enjoy for the use of the said congregation any real estate in fee simple or less estate by gift, grant, alienation, devise or other act or instrument of and from any person capable to

make the same. And further the same trustees and their successors shall apply the rents, profits and yearly income of the said congregation for the time being for repairing and enlarging, if need be, the house of public worship and the enclosure of the burial ground of the same and to erect and repair the school house and for other pious and charitable purposes as shall be directed by the major vote of the regular members of the said society and congregation duly assembled upon public notice thereof the Sunday preceding from the pulpit or desk of the said house of worship.

[Section III.] (Section IV, P. L.) Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all and singular the powers, privileges, regulations, provisions and directions, subject to the limitations and restrictions contained in [an] act of general assembly entitled, "An act for incorporating the Presbyterian Congregation of Pequea in the county of Lancaster,"¹ enacted on the fifth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, *mutatis mutandis*, shall be and the same are hereby extended and applied to the said congregation of Tredyffrin and to the twelve trustees herein before mentioned and their successors. Provided nevertheless, That no sale or alienation of the real estate of the said corporation made by the said trustees or their successors *bona fide* and for valuable consideration in case the possession thereof pass immediately to the purchaser thereof and continue in him or his assigns shall be impeached or called in question for want of the consent of the majority of the [regular members of the] said society and congregation given as required by the act aforesaid unless the same be done within seven years from and after the sale and delivery of possession to the said purchaser.

¹ Passed February 5, 1875, Chapter 1124.

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