

Act to be read with 27-28 V. c. 162. **3.** This act shall be read and construed with the act 27-28 Victoria, chapter 162, hereby amended, as forming part thereof.

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An Act respecting the union of certain Methodist churches therein named.

[Assented to 10th June, 1884.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Methodist church of Canada, the Methodist Episcopal church in Canada, the Primitive Methodist church in Canada, and the Bible Christian church of Canada, have agreed to unite under the name of "The Methodist Church," on the basis of union adopted by the said four denominations, and the rules, regulations, and discipline also adopted by the said four denominations, in a general convention or conference, assembled at the city of Belleville, on the fifth day of September, 1883; and whereas the said four denominations have, by petition, set forth that they are desirous of having the said union ratified, and have petitioned the Parliament of Canada for an act to incorporate the said churches under the name of "The Methodist Church," and are desirous of having an act passed by the Legislature of this province, to ratify and confirm the said union, and to vest in the said Methodist Church all the property in the province of Quebec now vested or held in trust for each of the said churches, upon such trusts and for such purposes as are declared in the said act of incorporation, and to confer upon the said Church such further powers as may be requisite; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Union confirmed.

1. In so far as the Legislature of this Province has jurisdiction and authority, the union of the said churches, on the said basis of union, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Certain property to be vested in The Methodist Church after certain act comes into force.

2. As soon as the said act of incorporation shall come into force, all the property, real and personal, within the province of Quebec, now belonging to or held in trust for, or to the use of the said denominations, or any of them, or belonging to or held in trust for, or to the use of any corporation under the government, or control of any of the said four denominations, shall henceforth be vested in and held, used and administered for the benefit of the said