

year, containing such information as may be required by the by-laws to be passed, as hereinafter provided.

6. The books and affairs of the said board shall be au- <sup>Books to be audited annually.</sup> dited once in each year by auditors appointed by the beneficiaries, in manner hereinafter provided.

7. At the meeting to be called and held pursuant to section 4, the beneficiaries may make by-laws regulating <sup>Power to make by-laws.</sup> the appointment of auditors, and all matters relating to the audit of the affairs of the fund, and to the annual statement and report to be made under section 5.

8. The 3rd section of this act shall continue in force <sup>Vacancies in the board.</sup> until the number of beneficiaries is reduced below fifteen ; and so soon as the number is reduced below fifteen, the said board shall be continued by the remanent members filling up any vacancy or vacancies from among the ministers, or members of the said united church, and the auditors shall in like manner be appointed by the said board.

9. All provisions contained in any previous act or amend- <sup>Inconsistent provisions.</sup> ment, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, relating to the said board for the management of the temporalities fund, are hereby repealed.

10. This act shall come into force so soon as a notice <sup>Coming into force of this act.</sup> shall have been published in the *Quebec Official Gazette*, to the effect that the union of the said four churches has been consummated, and the articles of such union have been signed by the moderators of the said respective churches.

## C A P . L X V .

An Act to vest certain Real Estate in the Incumbent and the Church wardens of St. John's Church, of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, in the Diocese of Montreal, with authority to sell the same, and to apply proceeds in payment of other lands, or towards the erection of a new Church.

[Assented to 23rd February, 1875.]

**W**HEREAS the Incumbent and the Church wardens of <sup>Preamble.</sup> St. John's Church, of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, in the Diocese of Montreal, represented by the Reverend Edmund Wood, the present Incumbent and Rector, and Reuben Taylor, and Charles G. Geddes, the present

church wardens of said church, have, by their petition, set forth, that by deed of sale executed at the city of Montreal, on the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, before Maître Isaacson and his colleagues, notaries public, one Jean-Baptiste Brouillet dit Laviolette, sold and conveyed to the reverend John Bethune, in his capacity of rector of the parsonage or rectory of the parish of Montreal, acting for that effect as well for himself as such rector, as for his successor and successors in that office, certain property in the city of Montreal, now known as lot number five hundred and eighty-one (581), on the cadastral plan, St. Lawrence ward, measuring forty-two feet and nine inches, on St. Urbain street, and sixty-five feet six inches on Dorchester street;—That this property, was so acquired for ecclesiastical purposes, and a church known as St. John's church was thereon built, of which the said reverend Edmund Wood, has been and still is the incumbent:—That on the petition of the synod of the diocese of Montreal, this legislature, by act 35 Victoria, chap. 19, vested in the said synod, the power by any rule, regulation or canon, to subdivide the parish of Montreal, into two or more parishes, and subsequently a canon was passed by the said synod in conformity therewith, dividing the old parish of Montreal, into two separate parishes, one being the said parish of St. John the Evangelist, within the limits of which is situated the aforesaid property and church thereon erected:—That the said reverend Edmund Wood is the incumbent, and is now also the rector of the said Parish church of St. John the Evangelist, so constituted by the said canon, a separate parish:—That by virtue of each subdivision of the old parish of Montreal, under the provisions of the said act, and of the canon passed by the said synod as aforesaid, the soil and freehold of said church, became vested in the said incumbent and church wardens and their successors in office:—That the said petitioners have registered a declaration or memorial of such transmission of the property in the registry office, for the registration division of the city of Montreal, in conformity with law:—That of late years, owing to the increasing number of the members of the said church of St. John the Evangelist, the accommodation afforded by the said church, is insufficient to supply the wants of the parishioners, and those who are members of and worshippers in the said church, and great inconvenience has arisen from the want of a larger church, to accommodate the rapidly increasing number of those who are regular attendants of and members of said church:—That it is the desire of the said petitioners, as also of the members of the said church, that a larger church should be built on a property recently secured for that purpose within the limits of the said parish of St. John the

Evangelist, and to that end, have prayed that the said petitioners should be authorized to sell the said property with the church and other appurtenances thereto belonging, upon such terms and in such manner as they may deem most beneficial, and to apply the proceeds in payment of such property so acquired to replace the same, or in the construction of a new church thereon; 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 the Province of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. The said lot of land known as number five hundred and eighty-one, on the cadastral plan of the St. Lawrence ward, of the city of Montreal, with the church thereon built, and other appurtenances thereto belonging, are hereby vested in the incumbent and the church wardens of St. John's church, of the parish of St. John the Evangelist, in the diocese of Montreal, as now constituted, and in their successors in office forever, upon trust, to hold the same to and for the uses and purposes ecclesiastical of a parish church, in the said parish of St. John the Evangelist, as constituted under the aforesaid act and canon, until the same shall be sold, as hereinafter provided. Certain lot of land transferred on certain conditions.
2. The said incumbent and church wardens, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to sell the said lot of land, church thereon erected, and other appurtenances thereto belonging, at public auction, or by private sale, for cash or on credit, or part cash, and part credit, secured in such manner as to them shall seem fit, and as they may deem most advisable, and to execute and convey an absolute title thereto to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, and to grant discharges for the purchase money to and in favor of such purchaser or purchasers. Power to dispose of said lot, &c.
3. No person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who shall purchase the said lot of land, church and other appurtenances thereto belonging, shall be in any way bound to see to the application, or be answerable for the non-application of the said purchase money, or any part thereof. Purchasers of it.
4. The purchase money to be derived from the said sale, shall be applied by the said incumbent and churchwardens, and their successors in office, towards the payment of the land secured within the limits of the said parish, for the site of the new church to be built, or towards the erection of the said new church thereon. Appropriation of the revenue of the sale.
5. The said property so acquired for the purposes of erecting a new church, being the parcel of land situated Property held in trust.

in the St. Lawrence ward, of the city of Montreal, composed of the sub-division, numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, of lot 168, of the official plans and books of reference of said ward, as also the church and other buildings to be thereon erected, shall be held by the said incumbent and churchwardens, and their successors in office, in trust, for the uses and purposes ecclesiastical of the said parish of Saint John the Evangelist, in the diocese of Montreal.

## CAP. LXVI.

An Act to incorporate The St. Catherine Street Baptist Church of Montreal.

[Assented to 23rd February, 1875.]

## Preamble.

WHEREAS the minister, trustees and other members of the St. Catherine street Baptist Church of Montreal, by their petition, have prayed that they be incorporated under the name of the St. Catherine street Baptist Church, for the purposes mentioned in their said petition and hereinafter described; and whereas it is expedient to grant such prayer; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Certain persons incorporated.

1. Joshua Donovan, Joseph Richards, Robert Barlow, T. James Claxton, Thomas Leeming, Walter M. Rice, Samuel W. Johnson, William Wright, David Bently, Duncan Macfarlane and Ninian Crawford, and all other persons who are now, or who may hereafter become members of the St. Catherine street Baptist Church, according to the principles and usages of the denomination of christians called Baptists, shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name of "The St. Catherine street Baptist Church."

Corporate name.

General powers.

2. The said corporation may acquire and hold by any description of title, lands and tenements, and immovable and movable property, for the actual use and benefit of the said church, and for mission chapels, parsonages and other religious and benevolent purposes, in the city and island of Montreal, affiliated thereto, or under the supervision and control thereof, and may from time to time, sell, alienate and hypothecate any such property, and apply the proceeds thereof, in furtherance of the purposes for which it is hereby authorized to acquire the same; provided the annual revenue does not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Proviso: