

and these different terms of office shall be distributed by lot or otherwise, by the said incorporators among themselves at their first meeting as a corporation; and be it further provided, in case the place of any member of said corporation shall be made vacant by death, resignation, disqualification or otherwise, before the expiration of his term, it shall be the duty of the remaining members of the said corporation, at their first meeting held, at which such vacancy shall become known, to elect or appoint some person—a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church—a member of said corporation, who shall, however, hold office only for the unexpired term of the member creating such vacancy; and provided, further, if the said Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, fail at any annual meeting thereof, to elect members to fill the vacancies occurring on the first of April next following said annual meeting, then the said corporation, at its next meeting after the adjournment of said Conference, shall elect members to fill such vacancies, and the members so elected shall hold membership for a term of three years, the same as though they had been elected by the said Conference; provided, however, that the name of each member elected by the corporation, as hereinbefore provided, shall be submitted to the said Conference at the next annual meeting thereof after such election, and the said Conference shall have the power to approve such election, or to remove any member or members so elected by the said corporation, and to elect another or others in place thereof; but the official acts of any such member or members before removal shall be valid and binding upon all concerned.

Fill vacancy.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation, under its said corporate name, shall have power to take and hold by donation, gift, grant, devise or otherwise, any property, real, personal or mixed, in the State of Maryland,

To hold property.