

CHAPTER 35.

Passed Feb. 17, 1864. AN ACT to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church at Port Deposit.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, application hath been made to this General Assembly for an act of incorporation in behalf of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Port Deposit, in Cecil county, which may enable said Church to manage with convenience her temporal concerns, and to make valid the acts and proceedings of the Trustees of said Church;

Trustees appointed, with power to sue.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Elijah Reynolds, E. D. McClenahan, James A. Davis, Daniel Vauneman, Theodore J. Vauneman, Thomas C. Bond and Wesley W. Nichols, and their successors, chosen as hereinafter provided for, shall be and are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by the name, style and title of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Port Deposit, and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, to have, hold, enjoy and be seized and possessed of real and personal and mixed estate, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in this State or elsewhere, to make and have a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure, and also to do all such other acts and things as corporate bodies may of right do, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, or with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Powers and duties of.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said Trustees hereby incorporated shall have power to make and ordain such by-laws as they may find necessary for the better management of the property held or to be held by them in trust, or for the regulations of the religious services held or to be held in the building or Church edifice, and the due preservation of order and decorum therein during the hour of divine worship, and at all other times, and such by-laws, when duly made and ordained by a majority of the said Trustees, if not inconsistent with this act of incorporation,