

Land to be annexed.

Proviso

and his family, together with a certain tract of land, situated in the town of Shrewsbury, containing about one hundred and eighty six acres, more or less, chiefly owned by said Merriam, and bounded as follows, to wit: on three sides of the town of Grafton, and on the fourth side by a line beginning at a point in the boundary line of said Grafton, where the corners of one Jasper Rand's land and of the said Merriam's land meet, and on the east side of one Elijah Brook's land, and thence running east ten degrees south, thirty seven rods, to the road leading from said Grafton to said Shrewsbury, thence easterly on said road until it comes to said Merriam's land on the north side, thence east twenty seven degrees north, one hundred and twenty five rods, thence east eight degrees north, to a corner of the north boundary line of said Grafton, be and the same are hereby set off from said Shrewsbury, and annexed to said Grafton, and they shall forever, hereafter, be subject to all the duties, and entitled to all the privileges of inhabitants of said Grafton: *Provided however*, that said Merriam, and the other owners of said tract of land, shall be holden to pay all taxes that have been lawfully assessed upon them, by said Shrewsbury, previous to the passing of this act.

[Approved by the Governor, March 3, 1826.]

CXXXIV.

An Act to incorporate the Bridgewater Trinitarian Congregational Church.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That Jason Dyer,

Ezra Fobes, Oliver Keith, Rufus Wood, Zephaniah Caswell, John Conant, Seth Conant, Oliver Conant, Theophilus Wentworth, Levi Leach, Oliver Allen, jun. Simeon Wilbur, Morton Eddy, Ebenezer Gay, Cornelius Holmes, jun. and their associates, be, and hereby are incorporated and made a body politic, by the name of the Trinitarian Congregational Church in Bridgewater, and shall have power to make and use a common seal, and the same to break and alter at their pleasure, and to make such by-laws for the orderly direction of the business of said body politic, as shall not be repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth.

May have seal.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said body politic may hold property, real or personal, or both, to the amount of ten thousand dollars, for the purpose of supporting, with the income thereof, the preaching of the gospel, and for other benevolent and religious purposes; and the property which may be hereafter held by said body politic, subject to all the conditions and under all the trusts, that may be annexed to such bequests and gifts by the donors thereof.

May hold property.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That said body politic shall, at their first meeting, elect a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a committee of three, with such powers as shall be prescribed by the by-laws of said body politic, and that the first meeting thereof may be called by Cornelius Holmes, jun. above named, by posting a notification thereof, eight days before the time appointed for such meeting, in the meeting house of the Trinitarian Society in Bridgewater.

Shall elect officers.

First meeting.

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