

1801. — Chapter 8.

[May Session, ch. 8.]

AN ACT DIRECTING THE USE AND APPROPRIATION OF PART OF THE MONEY, ARISING FROM THE SALE OF THE COMMON & UNDIVIDED LANDS, OF THE PROPRIETORS OF THE TOWN OF ANDOVER, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate & House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, & by the authority of the same,* That the Treasurer of the Proprietors of the township of Andover, and his successors in said Office, shall pay over and deliver one half of all the monies and estate which now is, or hereafter may be, in his hands as such Treasurer, unto the reverend William Symmes, the revd. Doctor Thomas Barnard, Nathaniel Lovejoy Esqr., Doctor Thomas Kitteridge, revd. Peter Eaton, Isaac Osgood, Esqr., Doctor George Osgood, Deacon John Adams, Deacon Benjamin Farnum, and Mr. Ebenezer Stevens, who are hereby appointed and constituted Trustees thereof, and whose duty it shall be, and they are hereby authorized to lay out, expend, and appropriate the income and interest thereof to the instruction of Youth of both sexes, in reading, writing, and Arithmetic, in the free School, which is already established & erected in the North-Parish of said Andover, in such manner, as the said Trustees may think most conducive to the Public good.

SECTION 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the said Trustees, be, and hereby are incorporated into a body Politic, by the name of The Trustees of the Free School in the North Parish in Andover. And said Trustees & their successors shall have One Common Seal, which they may break, alter, & renew at pleasure; And four of said Trustees shall constitute a quorum for doing business, and they may sue & be sued in all Actions real, personal & mix'd, & prosecute & defend the same to final judgment & execution by the name of the Trustees of the Free School in the North Parish in Andover. And said Trustees shall have power and authority to elect a President, Treasurer, & such other officers as they shall judge necessary & convenient; and to make & ordain such laws, rules, & orders for the good government of said School, as to them, the Trustees aforesaid, and thier successors, shall, from time to time, seem requisite: *Provided,* That

Treasurer of Andover Proprietors to pay over half the money &c. for the support of the Free school in the North parish in Andover.

Trustees incorporated, empowered and directed.

said rules, laws, and orders be not repugnant to the Laws of this Commonwealth.

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the Trustees aforesaid, be, and they hereby are rendered capable in Law, to take and receive by gift, grant, devise, or bequest, or otherwise, any Lands, tenements, or other estate, real & personal, which has been, or may in future be granted for the benefit of said Free School, — *Provided* the annual income thereof, shall not exceed the sum of One thousand dollars, to have & to hold the same under such provisions & limitations as may be expressed in any Deed or conveyance to them made by the donor or donors; and that all deeds & instruments, which the said Trustees shall lawfully make, shall, when made in the name of said Trustees and signed and delivered by the President and sealed with their common Seal, bind the Trustees, and their successors, and be valid in Law.

Trustees may receive gifts, &c.

Annual Income limited.

SECTION 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the aforesaid Trustees, shall have full power & authority to determine at what times & places their meetings shall be holden & upon the manner of notifying the Trustees to convene at such meetings; and the said Trustees shall have full power and authority to determine & prescribe from time to time, the powers & duties of their several Officers, and to fix and determine the tenures of their respective offices.

Trustees' meetings.

SECTION 5. *Be it further enacted*, That on the death or resignation of any of the Trustees, they shall, from time to time, choose some suitable person to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby.

Vacancies to filled.

SECTION 6. *And be it further enacted*, That Nathaniel Lovejoy, Esqr. be, and he is hereby authorized & empowered to fix the time and place of holding the first meeting of said Trustees, and to notify them thereof.

First meeting.

Approved June 18, 1801.

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