

Justice to issue
his warrant.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That any Justice of the Peace in the County of York, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his warrant directed to some suitable member of said parish, to meet at such time and place as shall be appointed in said warrant to choose such officers and transact such other business as parishes are by law entitled to choose and transact in the month of March or April annually.

[This act passed *March 4, 1809.*]

CHAP. CII.

An act to incorporate a Baptist Religious Society in the town of Alfred.

Persons incor-
porated.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same*, That Benjamin Stevens, Josiah Nason, Josiah Nason, jun. Daniel Knight, David York, John Haseltine, John Trafton, John Knight, John Plumer, John White, Henry Day, Jacob Linscott, Jacob Linscott, jun. Robert Linscott, John Linscott, Theodore Goodwin, Ebenezer Goodwin, John Friend, Benjamin Whitten, Thomas Keeler, Joseph Roberts, Edmund Roberts, Daniel Giles, John Giles, William C. Marshall, William C. Marshall, jun. James Roberts, Joshua Knight, Samuel Whitten, Joshua Goodridge, Nathan Goodridge, Abel Whitten, Eastman Hutchings, Archibald Smith, Paul Webber, Thomas Giles, Joseph Avery, John Sawyard, Samuel Roberts, Philip Yeaton, David Davis, William Leavit, Jotham Jewett, James Bean, David Bennet, Moses Roberts, Levi Hutchings, Nathaniel F. York, Almon Rounds, Joseph Knight, Ebenezer Roberts, Richard Haley, Daniel Davis, Sylvanus Roberts, Stephen Giles, William Linscott, Richard Haley, jun. Joshua Linscott, Jedediah Jellison, and Thomas Jellison, with their families and estates, together with such other inhabitants of said town of Alfred, being of the Baptist denomination, as have or may hereafter at any time associate themselves for that purpose, in the manner hereinafter described, be, and hereby are incorporated into a religious society by the name of The First Baptist Society in Alfred, with all the powers, privileges and immunities to which other parishes in this Commonwealth are by law entitled.

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SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any person or persons in the town aforesaid, being of the Baptist denomination, who may hereafter actually become a member of, and unite in religious worship with the society aforesaid, by giving in his or her name to the clerk of said town, fifteen days before the annual meeting in March or April annually, with a certificate signed by the minister or clerk of said society, that he or she has actually become a member of, and united in religious worship with the society aforesaid, shall from and after giving in such certificate with his or her polls and estates, be considered a part of said society: *Provided however,* that every such person shall always be holden to pay his or her proportion of all sums of money which were granted by the society to which such person belonged previous to his leaving his certificate aforesaid.

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the society.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That when any member of said society shall see cause to leave the same, and to unite with any religious society of a different denomination from said society, and shall give notice of such his intention to the minister or clerk of said society, and shall also give in his or her name to the minister or clerk of such other parish or society, fifteen days at least before the annual meeting of such parish or society, such person shall, from the time of leaving such certificate, with his or her polls and estates, be considered a member of such other society: *Provided,* such person shall be held to pay his or her proportion of all parochial expenses incurred previous to leaving such society.

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Proviso.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That any Justice of the Peace in the county of York, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, to issue his warrant, directed to some suitable member of said society, to meet at such time and place as shall be appointed in said warrant, to choose such officers, and transact such business, as parishes are by law, entitled to choose and transact, in the month of March or April annually.

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