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Bill accompanying the petition of Barnabas Eldridge and others for the incorporation of the South Yarmouth Baptist Cemetery Association. Mercantile Affairs. January 17.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen.

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### AN ACT

To incorporate the South Yarmouth Baptist Cemetery Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Isaiah C. Sears, Henry W. Sears, Frances  
2 Doane, Martha E. White, Caroline E. Baker, Millard F.  
3 Jones, Eben Baker, Benona T. Baker, Charles B. Oliver,  
4 Joseph U. Baker, George Snow, William H. Hurst,  
5 D. Frank Sears, Thomas E. Kelley, Laura Hallett,  
6 Lizzie K. Jones, Effie Baker, Annie Hatheway and Sarah  
7 E. Hurst, their associates and successors, are hereby  
8 made a corporation by the name of South Yarmouth  
9 Baptist Cemetery Association, for the purpose of ac-  
10 quiring, maintaining and improving and enlarging for a  
11 place of burial of the dead, certain land set apart and  
12 known as the South Yarmouth Baptist Cemetery, situ-  
13 ated in that part of the town of Yarmouth known as

14 South Yarmouth. Said corporation shall have all the  
15 powers and privileges and shall be subject to all the  
16 general laws now or hereafter in force applicable to such  
17 corporations.

1 SECTION 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to  
2 acquire possession and control of said cemetery and may  
3 acquire by purchase or otherwise any other land for the  
4 purposes of the association, in addition to the land now  
5 contained within the limits of said cemetery.

1 SECTION 3. All persons now or hereafter owning any  
2 lot or any interest in any lot in said cemetery, may be-  
3 come members of the corporation upon complying with  
4 such other conditions of membership as the by-laws of  
5 said corporation may prescribe. When any person shall  
6 cease to be the owner of a lot or of an interest in a lot  
7 in the lands of said corporation, he shall cease to be a  
8 member thereof.

1 SECTION 4. Any of the members of said corporation,  
2 may call a meeting of the members thereof, to be held in  
3 the town of Yarmouth, Massachusetts, by mailing from  
4 any post office in Massachusetts to each of said members,  
5 postage prepaid, a written notice of the meeting, at  
6 least ten days before the time of such meeting, setting  
7 out the time and place thereof. At any meeting called  
8 as aforesaid, a quorum for the transaction of business  
9 shall consist of not less than three persons appearing by  
10 person or by proxy. At all meetings of members of said  
11 corporation each member shall be entitled to one vote.

1 SECTION 5. The net proceeds of sales of lots in the  
2 lands held by the said corporation, and any bequests

3 made to it, shall be applied to the preservation, improve-  
4 ment, embellishment, protection or enlargement of said  
5 cemetery, and to paying the incidental expenses thereof,  
6 and to no other purpose.

1 SECTION 6. The said corporation is hereby authorized  
2 to take and hold any grant, gift, or bequest of property,  
3 upon trust, and to apply the same or the income thereof  
4 to the improvement, embellishment, protection or en-  
5 largement of said cemetery, or of any lot therein, or for  
6 the erection, repair, preservation or removal of any  
7 monument, fence or other structure therein, or for the  
8 planting or cultivation of trees, shrubs or plants in or  
9 around any lot, or for improving said premises in any  
10 manner consistent with the object of the corporation ac-  
11 cording to the terms of such grant or bequest

1 SECTION 7. The said corporation may by its by-laws  
2 provide for such officers as may be necessary, and may  
3 define their powers and duties, and may provide for  
4 calling meetings of the members of the corporation by  
5 other procedure than that hereinbefore provided for, and  
6 may also provide for the care and management of the  
7 cemetery and for the sale of lots therein, and for the  
8 management of any funds which the corporation may  
9 hold, and for any other matters incident to the purposes  
10 of the corporation, and may also provide conditions for  
11 the admission of new members to the corporation.

1 SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

