

SENATE....No. 70.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, March 13, 1857.

The Joint Committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, to whom was committed the Petition of the Trustees of African Methodist Episcopal Churches, in Boston, praying for an Act of incorporation, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

J. MITCHELL.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-
Seven.

AN ACT

Concerning the Trustees of African Methodist Episcopal
Churches.

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

1 SECT. 1. The provisions of the two hundred and
2 eightieth chapter of the statutes of this Commonwealth,
3 for the year eighteen hundred and forty-seven, are here-
4 by extended to trustees of societies of the African Metho-
5 dist Episcopal Churches, appointed according to the
6 discipline and usages of said church; and such trustees
7 of any such society, organized under the provisions of
8 said chapter, shall be a body corporate, with all the

9 powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties
10 and liabilities, in said chapter provided.

1 SECT. 2. All grants and donations to such trustees,
2 and all property, real and personal, held by them, not
3 exceeding the amount limited in said chapter, shall,
4 upon such organization as aforesaid, vest in, and be
5 held by the body corporate for the uses and purposes
6 for which the same were granted or are held.

1 SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after
2 its passage.

