

of Northampton or of either of said towns of Hatfield and Whately to be a member thereof. No person shall continue a member of said corporation after ceasing to be a resident of one of said three places.

Election of officers.

SECTION 4. Said corporation may chose and elect such officers as may be required to give effect to the purposes and provisions of said will, and is hereby authorized to accept, execute and perform any and all the other trusts arising under said will which the executors thereof or any special trustee might do.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 10, 1885.*

Chap.153

AN ACT TO CONFIRM AND ESTABLISH THE ORGANIZATION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF GREENFIELD, AND TO CONFIRM ITS TITLE TO CERTAIN REAL ESTATE.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Organization made valid.

SECTION 1. All the acts and proceedings done towards the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Greenfield in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-four, so far as they are defective and invalid, are hereby made valid, ratified and confirmed.

Trustees declared to be lawful successors of grantees named in conveyance.

SECTION 2. The trustees of said church, elected at the re-organization thereof on the sixth day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and their successors in office, are hereby declared to be and are made the lawful successors of Sidney W. Andrews, Fordyce Hunter, Cyrus Davis, Mertimer Potter and Henry Sheldon, grantees named in a conveyance to them and their successors as trustees of said church, of a certain tract of land therein described, situate on Church Street in said Greenfield, and dated October seventeenth, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and duly recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Franklin; and the title to said tract of land is hereby confirmed to the present board of trustees of said Methodist Episcopal Church and their successors and assigns forever, according to the manifest intention of said deed.

Title confirmed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 10, 1885.*