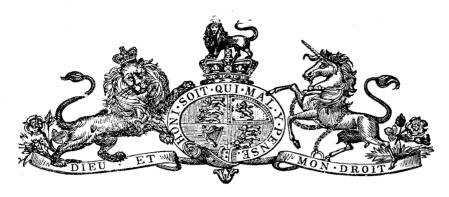
TASMANIA.



1899.

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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 6.

AN ACT to amend the Church of *England* A.D. 1899. [29 September, 1899.] Constitution Acts.

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the Church of England PREAMBLE. 22 Vict. No. 20.

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:-

- 1 This Act may be cited as "The Church of England Constitution Short title. Amendment Act, 1899."
- 2 In this Act, "property," unless a contrary intention appears, shall Definition clause. extend to and include real and personal property, and any estate or interest in any property, real or personal, and any mortgage or other debt, and anything in action, and all messuages, tenements, and hereditaments, corporeal and incorporeal, of every kind and description (whatever may be the estate or interest therein), together with all paths, passages, ways, waters, watercourses, liberties, privileges, easements, plantations, gardens, mines, minerals, and quarries, and all trees and timber thereon or thereunder lying or being, unless the same are specially excepted.

Church of England Constitution.

A.D. 1899.

Power to amend Constitution. 22 Vict. No. 20.

3 Notwithstanding anything contained in "The Church of England Constitution Act," "The Church of England Constitution Amendment Act," (1882) and "The Church of England Constitution Amendment Act," (1892," it shall be lawful for the Synod of the Church of England in Tasmania from time to time, by Act, to amend, alter, or rescind its Constitution in all respects as the said Synod may think proper and expedient: Provided that such Act shall not amend, alter, or rescind the authorised standards of Faith and Doctrine of the said Church, and shall be in accord with, and subservient to, the spirit and intendment of the general law now in force, or which may hereafter be in force in Tasmania.

Repeal of Sect. 18 of 22 Viet. No. 20.

4 Section Eighteen of "The Church of England Constitution Act" is hereby repealed, but no act, matter, or thing omitted to be done under the said Section shall render or be deemed to have rendered invalid or illegal any Act or Resolution heretofore made or passed by the Synod.

Trustees a body corporate, &c.

5 The Trustees of the property of the Church of England in Tasmania shall be, and they are hereby created, a body corporate having a perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall have and exercise all legal rights, powers, privileges, and authorities appendant and incidental to a body corporate: Provided the number of such Trustees shall not be less than Three.

Corporate name.

6 The corporate name or title of the said Trustees shall be "The Trustees of the Property of the Church of England in Tasmania," and such body corporate shall have and exercise all the rights, powers, privileges, duties, and authorities of Trustees appointed in pursuance of the provisions of the Church of England Constitution Acts.

Power to appoint new Trustees.

7 It shall be lawful for any Trustee of the property of the said Church at any time, by writing under his hand, directed to the Diocesan Secretary, to resign his Trusteeship, and in the event of the resignation, decease, absence from Tasmania for twelve months, or incapacity to act of any one or more of the said Trustees, then the Synod may by Act or Resolution appoint a Trustee or Trustees in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so resigning, dying, or being absent from Tasmania, or becoming incapable as aforesaid.

Certificate of Secretary primâ facie evidence of appointment of Trustees.

8 In all Courts and all legal proceedings instituted by or against the Trustees of the property of the Church of England in Tasmania the production of the certificate of the Secretary of Synod of the appointment of the said Trustees or any one or more of them shall on production only be deemed sufficient prima facie evidence without further proof that such Trustees or any one or more of them have been duly appointed according to law, and the onus of proof to the contrary shall rest on the person or persons challenging the validity of such appointment.

Power to delegate Council.

9 It shall be lawful for the Synod, by Act or Resolution, to authorise power to Diocesan and empower the Diocesan Council of the said Church, or any other duly appointed Council or Committee of Management of the affairs of the said Church, during the interval between the sessions of Synod, to nominate and appoint from time to time a substitute or substitutes for any Trustee or Trustees who may from any of the causes aforesaid have ceased to be a Trustee or Trustees of the property of the said Church:

Church of England Constitution.

Provided, that any such substitute or substitutes shall hold office only A.D. 1899. until the next session of Synod.

10 All property now vested in or held by any Trustee or Trustees Vesting of of the property of the said Church, and whether subject to the property in provisions of "The Real Property Act," or held under the general law, Shall from and after the passing of this Act be, and the same is hereby, 25 Vict. No. 16. vested in the said body corporate for all the estate and interest therein of such Trustee or Trustees, as fully and effectually as if valid assurances. in the law thereof had been made and executed by him or them to such body corporate, subject to the special trusts (if any) affecting the same, and such body corporate shall thenceforth be deemed the registered proprietor of such property under "The Real Property Act," subject to the provisions thereof.

11 The Recorder of Titles, upon the application in writing under Recorder of the seal of the said body corporate, and upon proof to his satisfaction Titles to register of the identity of any property affected under "The Real Property Act," new Trustees. shall issue to the applicant such instrument or instruments of Title as are by the said Act provided for.

12 In "The Church of England Constitution Act," "The Church When Trustees in of England Constitution Amendment Act," and "The Church of previous Acts England Constitution Amendment Act, 1892," and in all Acts and Resolutions of Synod referring to the Trustees of the Property of the Said Church, the expression "The Trustees of the Property of the Church of England in Tasmania" shall henceforth be read and Act. construed as the Trustees by this Act created a body corporate as if such body corporate had been expressed a result of the Church of England in Tasmania. if such body corporate had been expressly named in all such Acts and Resolutions.

shall be construed

13 The said Trustees shall have power to make such Rules and Power of Regulations as they may deem necessary for carrying out the purposes Trustees to make of this Act. Such Rules and Regulations shall be laid before Synod Rules. at its next session, but shall be in force until disallowed by Synod.

14 "The Church of England Constitution Act," "The Church of Acts to be read England Constitution Amendment Act," and "The Church of England together. Constitution Amendment Act, 1892," except so far as the same are altered, amended, or repealed by this Act, shall with this Act be read and construed as one and the same Act.