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entitled

THE METHODIST CHURCH ACT, 1923.

WHEREAS a petition has been presented to the Legislature by the Superintendent Ministers of the Methodist Church Circuits in these Islands and Lay Office Bearers of the said Circuits with the object of securing the passing of an Act to make certain changes in the corporate names of the Local Trustees whenever there are two or more bodies of Local Trustees in any parish in these Islands, and also to omit the word "Wesleyan" from the titles of The Wesleyan Methodist Church Acts of 1889 and 1906, and it is expedient to pass an Act for such purposes:

Be it, therefore, enacted etc.

Interpretation.

1. In this Act and in any amending Act the following expressions shall, where not inconsistent with the context, have the meanings respectively assigned to them in this section:-

"the Methodist Church"

(1) "the Methodist Church" means the congregation in these Islands in connection with the Methodist Church incorporated in the Dominion of Canada in 1884.

"the Local Trustees"

(2) "the Local Trustees" means the respective bodies of trustees in these Islands now or hereafter holding land in any of the parishes for any of the purposes of the Methodist Church in these Islands, and their successors in the respective trusts.

Corporate names of Local Trustees in different parishes.

2. Whenever there is or shall be only one body of Local Trustees in any parish in these Islands its corporate name shall be "The Methodist Trustees of [name of parish] Parish", and whenever there is or shall be more than one body of Local Trustees in any parish in these Islands their respective corporate names shall be "The Methodist Trustees of [name of parish] Parish, Body No.1", "The Methodist Trustees of [name of parish] Parish, Body No.2", and so on with consecutive numbering according to the order in which the respective trusts in that parish were created.

Alteration of

3. The titles of The Wesleyan Methodist Church Acts of

Acts 1880 and 1906 shall be altered by omitting therefrom the word
No. 21
No. 2. "Wesleyan" and a similar omission shall be made in the title
of the former Act in the first and third sections of the lat-
ter Act.

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