

Officers.

SEC. 5. That the said trustees and their successors shall have the power to elect their own president, secretary, treasurer, and such other officers and agents as they shall deem necessary, and to remove the same for misconduct, inefficiency, or neglect of duty: and they shall further have the power to make all necessary rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this state and of the United States for their own government and for carrying into effect the purpose herein before declared.

Rules, &c.

Meetings of trustees.
Quorum.

SEC. 6. That the said trustees shall hold regular meetings annually, or oftener if need be, and nine trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all kinds of business.

Exemption from taxation.

SEC. 7. That the lands and other property belonging to the said board of trustees, and held by them in special trust and confidence for the purpose herein before declared, shall be forever exempt from all kinds of public taxation.

Conflicting laws repealed.

SEC. 8. That all laws conflicting with any of the provisions of this act shall be and they are hereby repealed.

SEC. 9. That this act shall be in force for fifty years from and after the date of its ratification.

In the general assembly read three times, and ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1887.

CHAPTER 36.

An act amendatory of an act to consolidate the fire companies of the city of Newbern.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Chapter 25, section 6, private laws 1866-7, repealed.

SECTION 1. That section six of chapter twenty-five of the private acts of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Chief engineer authorized to pull down, &c., houses to prevent spread of fire, &c.

SEC. 2. That the chief engineer or other officer acting in his stead and place under the laws and regulations of the fire department of the city of Newbern, shall and may be authorized and empowered to direct the pulling down or demolishing or blowing up of any house or building which he shall judge necessary to pull down, demolish or blow up for the purpose of preventing the further spreading of any fire which may happen in said city. And during the continuance of any fire in said city the said officers as aforesaid shall have power to require assistance for extinguishing the same, or for pulling down, blowing up or demolishing any building, or for removing any goods, wares, or merchandise from any building on fire or in danger to some place of safety, and to appoint guards to secure the same: and

the said chief engineer or other officers in his place and stead as aforesaid shall have power and authority to condemn, confiscate, and take into possession any powder, dynamite or other articles or property of like nature, which may be required for checking the spreading of fire. The person whose property shall be so taken shall be paid for the same by the fire department at the market value thereof at the time of the confiscation. Any member or officer of the fire company of the city of Newbern, or fire department of said city, who shall refuse to obey any command of the chief engineer or other officers in his place and stead as aforesaid, or any citizen or other person who shall refuse to render assistance when so called upon, or who shall in any manner interfere with the fire department when in discharge of its duties at, or during a fire, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined fifty dollars or imprisoned thirty days.

Authorized to take dynamite, &c.

How paid for.

Member of fire company, &c., refusing to obey orders of chief engineer, &c., guilty of misdemeanor.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the general assembly read three times, and ratified this the 23d day of February, A. D. 1887.

CHAPTER 37.

An act to incorporate Grace Church, in Catawba county, in Jacob's Fork township.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That A. G. Corpenning, S. T. Wilfong, P. W. Whitener, John J. Reinhardt, David Love and Lee Hoover, and their successors in office, be and the same are hereby incorporated, under the name and style of Trustees of Grace Church, in Jacob's Fork township, of Catawba county, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and shall have all the powers of like institutions.

Incorporated.

Corporate name.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 2. That said board of trustees may meet at their pleasure to organize and transact business, which may require attention from time to time. The officers shall consist of a chairman, secretary and treasurer, who shall be elected from their own number. If at any time a vacancy should occur by resignation, death or otherwise, the same shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining board at any of the meetings. And that the said board of trustees shall always consist of an equal number chosen from each of the congregations worshipping in said Grace church.

Meetings.

Officers.

Vacancies.

Board of trustees

SEC. 3. That the incorporated limits shall extend two miles in every direction, so as to form a complete circle, with a radius of the above length around said Grace church, and it shall be unlawful for any

Corporate limits.