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**ACTS AND RESOLVES**

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**GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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first day of the annual convention of said diocese; and said convention shall annually elect by ballot a trustee for the ensuing seven years, the first of said elections to take place at such convention in the year 1882.

SEC. 4. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held on the first day of said convention in the year 1881, at the place where said convention shall be held. At such meeting and at any regular stated meeting, three trustees shall form a quorum. But at any special meeting a majority of the trustees shall be requisite for a quorum.

SEC. 5. Said corporation shall have power to make such by-laws, rules and regulations for its government as the trustees may from time to time deem expedient, provided that the same be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States and this State, and to this charter.

SEC. 6. The powers and duties of said corporation shall be to receive, hold and properly dispose of all estate, real and personal, which may be given, granted, conveyed, devised, bequeathed or transferred to it, in trust, for any religious, charitable or educational use or purpose connected with the Protestant Episcopal church in said diocese, or any portion thereof, or for the aid, benefit or advancement of any parish or society or congregation, or of any religious, charitable or educational association of churchmen in said diocese, and the clear yearly income of such real estate shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, and from the whole property held by said corporation the clear yearly income shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 7. This act shall be under the control of any future legislature to alter, amend or repeal as the public good may require.

Approved November 19, 1880.

No. 174.—AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO EMPOWER FIRE DISTRICT NUMBER ONE IN BRANDON TO BRING WATER INTO SAID DISTRICT, AND TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THAT PURPOSE," APPROVED NOVEMBER 9, 1876.

SECTION

1. Tax authorized; purpose; in case tax is not legally voted, treasurer authorized to assess a tax on the grand list of district; duty of collector.
2. Powers granted to prudential committee.
3. Further powers granted to prudential committee.
4. Prudential committee to have general control of the affairs of the district.

SECTION

5. By laws.
6. Bonds required of the treasurer and collector.
7. Duty of prudential committee to protect the water in the pond supplying the water used in the village; penalty of violating the provisions of this act.
8. Construction of act.
9. To take effect.

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:*

SEC. 1. The inhabitants of fire district number one in Brandon may at any meeting of the legal voters of said district, called in whole or in part for that purpose, in accordance with the provisions of section sixteen of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, and the additions thereto and the amendments thereof, vote a tax upon the grand list of the persons and property within said district, in force at the time of voting such tax, and on the property situated within the limits of said district belonging to non-residents therein, for the purpose of paying the present bonded indebtedness of said district, including the interest on said indebtedness as the same shall mature from time to time; and also for the purpose of paying any other just indebtedness of said district, including any such indebtedness heretofore or hereafter incurred by the prudential committee of said district, in connection with bringing water into and the distribution of water within said district, as provided by the aforesaid act, of which this is an amendment. And in case said district shall neglect to make reasonable provision for the payment of the interest on said bonded indebtedness as the same shall become due and payable from time to time, it shall be the duty of the treasurer of said district to seasonably make out and deliver to the collector of said district a tax bill on the aforesaid grand list of said district, and he shall therewith issue to said collector his warrant, substantially in form as now provided for to be issued by a justice of the peace for the collection of town or other taxes, directing the collection and payment of said tax to said treasurer within sixty days from the time of such delivery, in amount sufficient to seasonably and promptly pay the interest then past due and unpaid with all proper charges for assessing and collecting the same. And such tax shall be collected and paid to said treasurer promptly according to warrant; and the money so collected and paid to such treasurer shall be specially held, appropriated and used for the payment of such interest, and for no other purpose save the incidental expense of assessing and collecting such tax. And it is hereby made the duty of the treasurer of said district to provide for and promptly pay the interest on said bonded indebtedness as the same shall become due and payable from time to time, without any vote thereupon of said district; and such tax bill shall have all the force and authority in every respect of a tax bill for a tax voted at any regular meeting of such district.

SEC. 2. The prudential committee of said district shall have the same power and authority to assess and cause to be collected, any and all taxes voted by said district, as is now vested in prudential committees of school districts for like purposes, and said committee shall also have power and authority to draw orders on the treasurer of said district in payment of any legal indebtedness of said district; and the collector of said district shall have the same power and authority to collect, and to enforce the collection

of such taxes as is now vested in school district collectors for like purposes.

SEC. 3. The prudential committee of said district are hereby empowered and authorized to make all needful contracts for and in the name of and upon the credit of said district that may from time to time be called for in connection with protecting the aqueduct of said fire district, its connections and extensions, and in rendering said aqueduct sufficient and serviceable for the objects and purposes for which it was designed, as stated in the aforesaid act, approved November 9, 1876; but it shall not be lawful for the prudential committee of said district to make or lay, or cause to be made or laid any extension of the mains of said aqueduct, without being first authorized and directed so to do by a vote of said district at a meeting legally called, in whole or in part for that purpose; but said district may at a meeting legally called for that purpose authorize and direct such committee to make and complete any needed extension of such mains, including hydrants, at the expense and upon the credit of said district.

SEC. 4. The prudential committee of said fire district, shall have the direction, control and management of the business affairs and property of said district, including said aqueduct, its connections and extensions, subject, however, to the power and authority vested in the engineers of said district under and by virtue of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 5. The inhabitants of said fire district may at a meeting called in whole or in part for that purpose, enact and adopt such by-laws and regulations in reference to the management and use of said aqueduct, and supplying the inhabitants of said district with water therefrom, including the fixing of water rates and the collection thereof, as they shall from time to time deem expedient; and the prudential committee of said district are hereby vested with power to carry such by-laws into effect.

SEC. 6. The prudential committee of said fire district shall require of the treasurer and collector of said district, before entering upon the duties of their office, to give good and sufficient bonds to said district, with surety or sureties to be approved by said committee in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duty as such collector and treasurer during their term of office, and to faithfully account to and with said district for any and all money or moneys by them annually received belonging to said district, including money or moneys by them received from water rates, which bonds shall be kept by the clerk of said district for said district; and if any person elected or appointed to said office of collector or treasurer shall neglect for ten days next succeeding his election or appointment to give such bond his office shall become vacant.

SEC. 7. The prudential committee of said fire district are hereby empowered and authorized, in their discretion, to protect the water of the pond from whence said aqueduct is fed or supplied with water, by erecting and sustaining a suitable and sufficient fence or other barrier along the margin of said pond so far as the same abuts on the highway or unoccupied lands, or lands thrown to common. And it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to break down, disturb or carry away such fence or barrier, or to swim or bathe in the water of said pond, or to wash wagons, carriages or clothes therein, or to drive or trot horses upon the ice of said pond for any purpose save that of necessity. And any person or persons who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be subject to all the penalties and provisions of section five of the aforesaid act, approved November 9, 1876, and for such violation may be proceeded against and prosecuted in manner and form as is provided in said section five.

SEC. 8. This act shall not be construed so as to relieve or deprive said fire district, or any of its officers, of any of its or their rights, powers, authorities or duties under or by virtue of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, or acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, or under or by virtue of the aforesaid act, approved November 9, 1876, to which this act is an amendment.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved December 22, 1880.

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No. 175. AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2  
IN THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER.

SECTION

1. Legalizing the district as laid out.
2. Legalizing the district officers.

SECTION

3. Legalizing the grand list of said district for 1878.
4. To take effect.

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:*

SEC. 1. That Fire District No. 2 in the town of Manchester as laid out by the selectmen of said town on the 5th day of July, 1878, is hereby declared to be the legal fire district No. 2 in said town, and entitled to all the rights and privileges in such cases provided by the General Statutes of Vermont.

SEC. 2. That the officers of said fire district which were elected January 5, 1880, are hereby declared to be the legal officers of said fire district.