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before served in that office within the Last three years shall after the same notice refuse to serve as such, or having been Qualified shall retire from his office without the consent of the Vestry before the time for which he was Elected shall have expired, unless he shall have been disqualified for Remaining a Churchwarden, the former shall forfeit Twenty Dollars and the Latter Ten dollars.

XXVII And be it enacted, that all fines and penalties by this act imposed shall be recoverable before any Justice of the peace and applied to the use of the parish in such manner as the Vestry may direct.

XXVIII And be it enacted, that the vestrymen of every parish in this State for the time being shall be, and they are Hereby declared to be one community, corporation and body Politic forever by the name of the Vestry of the Parish to which they Severally belong; and by the same name they and their Successors shall and may have perpetual Succession, and shall and may, at all times hereafter be persons able and capable in Law to purchase, take and Hold to them and their successors, in fee, or for any less Estate or Estates, any Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, rents or annuities within this state by the gift bargain, sale or desire of any person or persons, bodies politic and Corporate capable of making the same, and such Lands Tenements or Hereditaments, to rent or lease, in such a manner as they may judge most conducive to the Interests of their Respective Parishes, and also to take and receive any sum or sums of money, and any Kind of goods and chattels, which may or shall be Given, sold or Bequeathed unto them by any person or persons ~~besides~~ bodies

politic or Corporate, capable to make a gift, sale or Bequest thereof, and to apply the same for the use of their Respective Parishes as herein before directed; provided that the clear yearly Value of the Estate of any Vestry, (exclusive of the Rents of pews, collections in Churches, funeral Charges and the Like) shall not Exceed Two Thousand Dollars.

XXIX And be it Enacted, That no Vestry shall sell, alien, or Transfer, any of their Estates or property belonging to their Church or Churches without the consent of five at Least of their Body, (of which number the rector shall always be one) together with the consent of both the Church wardens. And in case there be no Rector in the parish then it shall be necessary to obtain the consent of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state for the Time being, previous to any Sale, alienation or Transfer of any of the Estates or property aforesaid.

XXX And be it Enacted, That no vestry shall apply any of the Principal of the money arising from the sales of any of the Estates or property aforesaid towards ~~any debt or debts contracted with their minister on~~ account of his official duties.

XXXI And be it Enacted, that nothing Herein before contained shall be construed to prevent the Vestry of any parish from Buying at any time a Lot of Land, not exceeding two Acres for a Burial ground, or a Site for a Church or parsonage House or from selling or renting the pews of their churches or chapels, provided in so doing the said Vestry shall not Interfere with any existing right or title in any person to any pew or pews.

XXXII And be it Enacted that the Vestry of Every parish, and their successors, (by the name aforesaid) shall