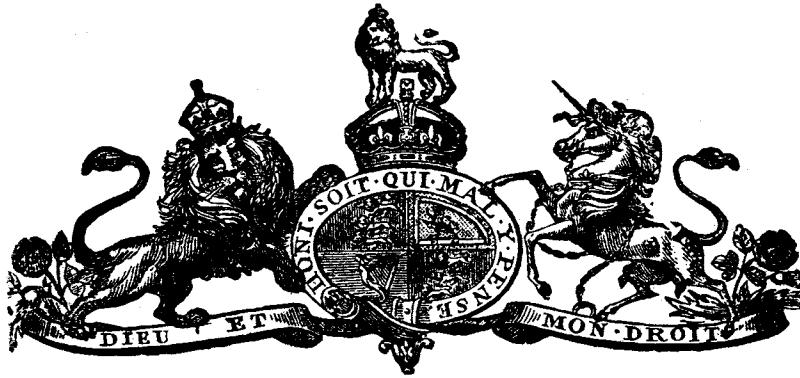


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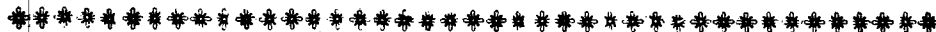
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AN ACT to sanction the Constitution of the  
New Zealand Conference of the Methodist  
Church of Australasia as an Independent  
Conference, and for other purposes.

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[2 December, 1911.]

**W**HEREAS the Methodist Church in New Zealand is an integral PREAMBLE.  
portion of the Methodist Church of Australasia, and is governed by an  
annual conference, which is itself comprised in and governed by  
the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia :

And whereas the General Conference of the Methodist Church of  
Australasia held at Adelaide in the year One thousand nine hundred  
and ten unanimously consented to the constitution of the said annual

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conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand as an independent conference, with the powers contained in and in accordance with and upon and subject to a plan of independence which is fully set forth in the printed minutes of the said General Conference, subject to the consent of each of the annual conferences of the said Methodist Church of Australasia, namely, the New South Wales Conference, the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, the South Australia Conference, the New Zealand Conference, the Queensland Conference, the Western Australia Conference, and the sanction of the Parliament of each of the Australian States and New Zealand:

And whereas each of the said conferences has agreed to the constitution of the said New Zealand Annual Conference as an independent conference in accordance with the plan aforesaid:

And whereas in the Methodist Church Acts of the State of Tasmania, and in the "Wesleyan Methodist Model Deed of Tasmania, 1888" (as by the said Acts altered and modified), and in the book of laws referred to in the said model deed, the said Methodist Church in New Zealand is referred to, either expressly or by implication, as forming an integral portion of the Methodist Church of Australasia; and the said New Zealand Conference is referred to as one of the conferences comprised in and governed by the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia:

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:—

Short title.

**1** This Act may for all purposes be cited as "The Methodist Church Act, 1911," and shall be read and construed as one with the Methodist Church Acts; and this Act and the Methodist Church Acts may be cited together as "The Methodist Church Acts."

Interpretation.

**2** In this Act the following terms shall have the meanings herein respectively assigned to them:—

"Australasian Church" means The Methodist Church of Australasia:

"New Zealand Church" means The Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand:

"General Conference" means the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia.

Constitution of annual conference sanctioned.

**3** The constitution of the said annual conference of the New Zealand Church as an independent conference, with the powers contained in, and in accordance with, and upon and subject to, the plan of independence hereinbefore referred to, is hereby sanctioned.

Copy of "Gazette" evidence.

**4** A printed copy of the Government "Gazette" of the Commonwealth of Australia or of the State of Tasmania, containing a notification fixing the date on which the said New Zealand Conference shall be constituted an independent conference, and purporting to be

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under the hand of the President for the time being of the said General Conference, shall be conclusive evidence in the State of Tasmania of such independence as aforesaid, and of the date on which it is to take effect. A.D. 1911.

5 "The Tasmanian Wesleyan Methodists Act, 1888," "The Methodist Union Act, 1902," the said "Wesleyan Methodist Model Deed of Tasmania, 1888," and the said book of laws shall, from and after the publication of such Government "Gazette" in the State of Tasmania, be read and construed as if the references (either expressed or implied) to the Methodist Church of New Zealand as forming part of the Methodist Church of Australasia, and to the New Zealand Conference as being one of the conferences comprised in and governed by the said General Conference, had not been contained therein. Construction of "The Methodist Church Acts," &c.

6 A printed copy of the latest edition of the book of laws of the Australasian Church published by or under the authority of the said General Conference shall be taken in the State of Tasmania as *prima facie* evidence of the laws of the said Church for the time being, subject to any modifications thereof shown by the minutes of any General Conference held after the issue of such book of laws. Copy of book of laws evidence.

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