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CHAPTER 278.**SIERRA LEONE CHURCH COMMITTEE.**

An Ordinance to incorporate the “Sierra Leone Church Committee.” 3 of 1878.
29 of 1908.

[24TH NOVEMBER, 1876.]

WHEREAS an association of members of the Church of England (in Sierra Leone), known as the Sierra Leone Church Committee, has been for many years engaged within the Settlement of Sierra Leone in managing the financial matters of the said Church; **Preamble.**

AND WHEREAS the Right Reverend Henry Cheetham, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Sierra Leone, the President of this committee, has, in the name of the said committee, presented a petition praying that the said Church Committee be incorporated;

AND WHEREAS, in consideration of the convenience and efficiency of their operations, it is expedient to grant their prayer:

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Sierra Leone Church Committee Incorporation Ordinance. **Short title.**

2. The Right Reverend Henry Cheetham, Bishop of Sierra Leone, the Reverend Lancelot Nicholson, Secretary in Sierra Leone of the Church Missionary Society of England, the Reverend James Quaker, Principal of the Grammar School in Freetown, the Reverend Alfred Menzies, Missionary of the **Constitution of Sierra Leone Church Committee.**

Church Missionary Society on the Island of Sherbro, the Reverend James Robbin, Pastor of the Church of Saint Paul, Wilberforce, the Reverend George James Macauley, Pastor of the Church of Saint Arthur, Wellington, and John Ashwood, Thomas John Sawyerr, Abraham Hughes Farrah, Daniel Carrol, all of Freetown, and such other persons, as may be now, or may hereafter become, members of the said Church Committee, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, a body politic, or corporate in deed, and in the same by the name of the "Sierra Leone Church Committee," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal with power to change, alter, break, or renew the same when, and as often as they may think proper, and by the same name at all times hereafter be able and capable to purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, and to have, take and receive to them and to their successors, to and for the uses or purposes of the aforesaid Church of England in Sierra Leone under any legal title whatsoever, and without any further authorisation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, movable and immovable property, situate, lying and being within the Colony, not exceeding in yearly value the sum of ten thousand pounds sterling, and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of, and others to purchase, acquire and possess in their stead for the said purposes; and by the same name shall, and may, be able and capable to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all Courts of law and places whatsoever, in as large, ample and beneficial a manner as any other body politic or corporate, or as any person able or capable in law may, or can, sue or be sued, implead or be impleaded, answer or be answered; and the said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish such rules not being contrary to this Ordinance, or to the laws in force in the Colony, as shall be deemed useful or necessary for the interest of the said corporation, and for the management thereof, and of the affairs and property of the said corporation, and, from time to time, to amend, alter or repeal the said rules, or any of them, in such manner as the said corporation may deem meet and expedient.

Appointment
of attorney.

3. The said corporation shall also have power to appoint, if they think fit, one or more attorneys, for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the said corporation.

Rendition of
account to
Governor.

4. It shall be the duty of the said corporation, at all times when they may be called upon so to do by the Governor, to render an account, in writing, of their property and affairs.

5. No member of the said corporation shall be individually liable or accountable for the debts, contracts or securities of the said corporation. Members not individually liable.

6. Nothing herein contained shall affect, or be construed to affect, in any manner or way the rights of Her Majesty, Her heirs or successors, or of any body politic or corporate, such only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for. Saving of rights of the Crown and others.
