

CHAPTER 278.

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AN ACT to authorize the St. John Evangelic Lutheran church and the German Evangelic Lutheran Grace church, in Milwaukee, to acquire and hold lands for cemetery grounds and burial purposes.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The St. John Evangelic Lutheran church and the German Evangelic Lutheran Grace church, in Milwaukee, are hereby empowered to take by purchase, devise, gift or otherwise, and forever hold in their corporate names, in common or in severality, any lands to be used for cemetery grounds or burial purposes.

May hold grounds in common for cemetery purposes.

SECTION 2. The members of each of said churches shall choose at such times, in such manner, for such terms and with such powers as they may determine, an equal number, not exceeding three, members of their respective churches, to serve until others are elected in their stead, who together shall constitute and organize a cemetery board to lay out such lands as a cemetery, grant rights of burial and convey lots therein for burial purposes, prescribe rules and regulations, and transact all affairs relating thereto. Said board shall annually choose a chairman and secretary, who shall be members of said board, by whom grants of burial rights and conveyances of lots for burial purposes in such cemetery, in the corporate names of said churches, shall be signed; and may from time to time appoint such agents and servants as may be required, define the duties and compensation of such officers, agents and servants, and remove them at their pleasure, and may make and prescribe such legal by-laws as they may deem expedient and proper.

Cemetery board — their powers.

SECTION 3. Sections fourteen and fifteen of chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes, shall apply to all lands so acquired and held for cemetery grounds.

Application.

SECTION 4. In the judgment of the legislature, the objects attained by this act, cannot be attained under any general law now in force.

Objects not otherwise attainable.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 1, 1865.