

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ANNO VICESIMO SECUNDO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ

No. 4

An Ordinance for vesting Roman Catholic Church Lands
in Western Australia in the Roman Catholic Bishop
Administrator and his Successors.

[Assented to 17th September, 1858.]

WHEREAS several lands in various districts throughout the Colony of Western Australia have been from time to time granted to and vested in certain persons as trustees for various religious purposes connected with the Roman Catholic Church in the said Colony: And whereas churches, chapels, convents and other buildings have been erected on some of such lands, and other of such lands have been used for purposes of Christian burial: And whereas it is expedient that the provisions hereinafter contained should be enacted: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of the said Colony and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof:—

Preamble

1. That all estate, right and title, legal and equitable, in and to all churches, buildings, convents, monasteries, lands and premises in the said Colony belonging to and used in connection with the Roman Catholic Church, and now vested in any person or persons whomsoever as a trustee or trustees, shall from and after the passing of this Ordinance, by virtue hereof, and without the necessity of any formal deed of assurance, be divested from such person or persons and vest absolutely and indefeasibly in the Roman Catholic Bishop for the time

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Religious Bodies (Roman Catholics)

being administering the ecclesiastical affairs of the Roman Catholic Church in the said Colony and his successors in the said office, upon the trusts mentioned and contained in the several deeds or other assurances in the law, granting and conveying such churches, buildings, convents, monasteries, lands and premises to such person or persons as a trustee or trustees as aforesaid.

Future lands to
be vested in
Roman Catholic
Bishop

2. That the estate in all lands and premises which shall be hereafter granted and conveyed by any person or persons for Roman Catholic Church purposes shall be vested by deed or other proper assurance in the Roman Catholic Bishop for the time being administering the ecclesiastical affairs of the said Roman Catholic Church in the said Colony and his successors, under and subject to such trusts as may be imposed by the donors and grantors thereof as conditions of their grant.

A. E. KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
