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# GEORGII V REGIS.

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## *Private Act.*

An Act to amend the Deed of Settlement and Amending Deed of Settlement of The Parkin Trust Incorporated and to confer on that Institution certain powers in addition and ancillary to the powers declared in and by its said original Deed of Settlement and Amending Deed of Settlement constituting its Trusts, Rules, and Regulations.

[Assented to, November 4th, 1926.]

**W**HEREAS The Parkin Trust Incorporated is an Institution incorporated under the provisions of The Associations Incorporation Act 1858 acting in the Trusts declared by a certain Deed Poll dated the 11th day of October 1876 of which the Honorable William Parkin of Plympton in the State of South Australia a Member of the Legislative Council and Charles Manthorpe of Glenelg in the said State Minister of the Gospel are the declarant parties as amended by a certain indenture dated the 10th day of November 1880 made between The Parkin Trust Incorporated of the one part and the said William Parkin of the other part a copy of which Deed Poll as amended by the said Indenture is set out in the First Schedule hereto and which respective Deed and Indenture it adopted as its rules and regulations for the purposes of the said Act: AND WHEREAS the said incorporated Institution hereinafter called "the Corporation" is desirous of amending the provisions of the said Deed Poll and Indenture by bringing the same into accord with the Doctrinal Schedule embodied in the Model Trust Deed adopted and published by the Congregational Union of England and Wales Incorporated and of extending its powers and those of the Governors thereof in order more effectually to carry into effect the objects for which the said Corporation was founded namely the **maintenance**

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maintenance of the Christian Congregational Ministry in an adequate degree of learning in order that the cause of the Gospel may be honorably sustained and constantly promoted and for other the purposes set out in the said Deeds—

Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor of the State of South Australia with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof as follows :

**Short title.**

**1.** This Act may be cited as The Parkin Trust Incorporated Act, 1926.

**Definitions.**

**2.** In this Act—

“Original Deed of Settlement” means the said Deed Poll copy whereof as amended by the said Indenture is set out in the First Schedule hereto :

“Amending Deed of Settlement” means the said Indenture :

“The Corporation” means The Parkin Trust Incorporated :

“The Governors” means the Governors for the time being of The Parkin Trust Incorporated.

**Extension of operations of mission work.**

**3.** Clause 4 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by deleting therefrom the words “South Australia” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “the Commonwealth of Australia and also of students as missionaries to carry on either within or without the Commonwealth mission work in accordance with the Doctrinal Schedule embodied in the Model Trust Deed adopted and published by the Congregational Union of England and Wales Incorporated as such Doctrinal Schedule is set forth in the Second Schedule hereto or other the Doctrinal Schedule for the time being of such Union”.

**4.** Clause 6 of the Original Deed of Settlement as replaced and amended by clause 4 of the Amending Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended—

**Power to revise periods *re* stipends, etc., and to extend tutorial offices.**

(a) By deleting the word “twenty” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “five” ;

(b) By inserting after the words “except as a Minister of the Gospel of Christ” the words “or except as lecturer or holder of other professorial office in or connected with the University of Adelaide or such other educational office or calling as the Governors may from time to time think fit and allow the tutor temporarily to fill” ; and

**Substitution of existing Doctrinal Schedule.**

(c) By deleting the words “Declaration of Faith Church Order and Discipline adopted and published by the Congregational Union of England and Wales as such Declaration is set forth in the Schedule hereunder written” and substituting in their place the words “Doctrinal Schedule embodied in the said Model Trust Deed or other Model Trust Deed for the time being”.

**5.** Clause

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5. Clause 7 of the original Deed of Settlement as replaced and amended by Clause 5 of the amending Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by deleting therefrom the words "South Australia" where such words now first occur therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the Commonwealth of Australia and to carry on either within or without the Commonwealth mission work in accordance with the said Doctrinal Schedule" and by inserting after the words "as may in their opinion be expedient" the words "the Governors shall be empowered to defray expenses to be from time to time incurred by Ordained Ministers of Congregational Churches in supplementing their training and who may be adjudged by the Governors to need and to merit such assistance."

Extension of the mission field.

6. Clause 8 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed deleted and the following clauses numbered 8 and 8a inserted in lieu thereof namely :—

Governors and rotation and vacation of office, &c.

8. The present Governors of The Parkin Trust Incorporated are the Rev. George Herbert Wright, M.A., the Rev. David Morgan, the Rev. Horace Watts Grimmer, and Messrs. Frank Edward Cornish, George McEwin, John Howard Burgess, and James Counsell, and the office of Governor shall be deemed vacated from time to time by—

- (a) Rotation as hereinafter mentioned ;
- (b) Resignation ;
- (c) Death ;
- (d) Absence from the State for a longer period than twelve consecutive calendar months except with the consent duly minuted of a majority of the remaining Governors ;
- (e) Insolvency ;
- (f) Ceasing to be of a sound mind ;
- (g) Being no longer a member in full communion with a Congregational Church ; and
- (h) Any event which would be held in law or equity to make void the office of a trustee in ordinary cases.

For the purpose of electing and keeping up the number of Governors to seven the Secretary of the Corporation or the continuing Governors (such continuing Governors although less than seven in number having power to act for such purposes) shall from time to time give notice of vacancies in the office of Governor to the Secretary or Pastor of all Congregational Churches in South Australia which are recognised by the Congregational Union and Home Mission of South Australia Incorporated and thereupon the Governors for the time being and the Electors appointed by the Churches and all ordained and accredited Pastors of such Churches shall at the time and place and in manner appointed by the Original and Amending or any future Amending Deed of Settlement proceed to the election of

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Retirement of  
Governors.

Governors or Governor of "The Parkin Trust Incorporated" each Governor and each Elector and each Pastor having one vote no proxies being allowed. The persons so elected shall with the present Governors so long as they are in office be known as Governors. The Governors shall retire by lot as follows:—Two on the first day of September 1927 two on the first day of September 1928 and the three remaining shall retire on the first day of September 1929 all of whom shall be eligible for re-election and so year by year on the 1st day of September in each year the two or three as the case may be of the Governors who have been longest in office shall retire. In the case of any casual vacancy in the office of Governor from any of the above causes other than effluxion of time every Governor elected to fill any such vacancy shall hold office only for the like period as the Governor in whose place he shall have been elected would have continued in office had the vacancy not occurred. All Governors shall continue in office until their successors or respective successors shall be appointed.

Revision of franchise  
of electors.

8a. Such of the Congregational Churches referred to in preceding paragraph 8 as shall have not more than 100 members shall be entitled to appoint one Elector. Churches with more than 100 members shall be entitled to appoint one additional Elector for every additional 50 or part of 50 members. And it is declared that the qualification of such Electors shall be their respectively being Deacons or Members of the Church appointing the same: Provided however that any Church entitled to appoint an Elector may appoint such Elector from out of the congregation of such Church not necessarily being a member of the Church if satisfied that he is a God-fearing man and a true believer in the doctrines aforesaid but no Church may appoint as an Elector any unordained person who is receiving instructional aid from the Trust or any person in receipt of remuneration as a professor or tutor under the direction of the Governors.

"President"  
substituted for  
"Chairman."

7. Clause 9 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by deleting therefrom the word "Chairman" and inserting the word "President" in lieu thereof.

"Qualified" electors.

8. Clauses 9 and 10 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by deleting therefrom the word "contributing" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "qualified".

Definition of  
"Electors."

9. For the purposes of clauses 9 and 11 of the Original Deed of Settlement the word "Electors" shall be deemed to include the Governors and electors appointed under the provisions of clause 8a inserted in the Original Deed of Settlement by section 6 of this Act and all ordained and accredited pastors as set forth in clause 8 inserted in the said Original Deed of Settlement by the said section 6 hereof.

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**10.** Clause 15 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by adding thereto the words "And at such meetings each Governor who is present at the place of meeting within five minutes of the time appointed for the commencement of the business of such meeting shall be entitled to receive from the treasurer out of the funds the sum of ten shillings and sixpence per meeting for not more than twelve meetings in any one year".

Remuneration of  
Governors.

**11.** Clause 17 of the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed amended by adding after the word "decease" the words "except with the authority of Parliament".

Future amendments  
to Deed of Settle-  
ment.

**12.** The Schedule annexed to the Original Deed of Settlement shall be deemed to be deleted and the Second Schedule hereto shall be inserted in lieu thereof.

Substitution of  
Doctrinal Schedule.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to  
this Bill.

TOM BRIDGES, Governor.

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## SCHEDULES.

## THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME the Honourable William Parkin of Plympton in the Province of South Australia Member of the Legislative Council and Charles Manthorpe of Glenelg in the said Province Minister of the Gospel send greeting: WHEREAS the said William Parkin is desirous of endowing and founding an Institution and of incorporating the same pursuant to the provisions of "The Associations Incorporation Act 1858" such Institution when incorporated to be called "The Parkin Trust Incorporated" for the purpose of maintaining the Christian Ministry in an adequate degree of learning in order that the cause of the Gospel may be both honorably sustained and constantly promoted and for other the purposes hereinafter mentioned and with that intent the said William Parkin has deposited the sum of One Thousand Pounds in the Bank of South Australia Adelaide in the names of himself and of the said Charles Manthorpe. And has determined and agreed with the said Charles Manthorpe to transfer to the said Institution when incorporated the several landed estates hereinafter mentioned as a commencement of the endowment of the said Institution. And it has been determined to execute these presents and do all other acts which may be necessary to effectuate such incorporation: Now these presents witness that the said William Parkin hath determined and doth hereby covenant and agree with the said Charles Manthorpe that he will immediately upon the said Institution being incorporated transfer to the said "Parkin Trust Incorporated" the several sections of land and estates following that is to say: ALL those the following sections of country land section No. 35 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 100 section No. 38 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 101 section No. 39 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 102 section No. 40 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 103 section No. 41 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 104 section No. 42 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. fol. 105 sections 102 and 200 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 106 section 267 Hundred of Bagot County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 107 section No. 678 Hundred of Cavenagh County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 108 section No. 930 Hundred of Cavenagh County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 109 section No. 1039 Hundred of Cavenagh County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 110 section No. 1043 Hundred of Cavenagh County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 111 section No. 1607 Hundred of Ayers County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 99 which said several sections contain together four thousand one hundred and sixty acres be the same more or less: And also ALL those the following sections of town land section 10 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 70 section 55 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 72 section No. 168 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 73 section 319 Township of Southport County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 96 section No. 332 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 78 section No. 390 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 79 section No. 401 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 80 section No. 424 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 81 section No. 433 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 82 section No. 528 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 84 section No. 521 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 85 section No. 834 Township of Palmerston County

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County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 86 section No. 945 Township of Palmerston County of Palmerston comprised in Land Grant vol. ii. folio 91: And also that he will transfer or execute or procure to be executed such instrument as may be necessary to vest in the said Corporation the reversion expectant on the decease of the said William Parkin and on the decease of Ellen the wife of the said William Parkin in ALL that estate called Parkin Terrace situate in Brighton Terrace Jetty Road Durham Street and Sussex Street Glenelg and being part of the premises comprised in the Certificate of Title registered clxvi. folio 47 and in the Certificate of Title vol. clxiii. folio 66 and vol. cc. folio 130 and also in the Declaration of Trust dated the twenty-third day of February one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two and the fourth day of October one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six whereby the said Charles Manthorpe and James Counsell Esquire declare that they hold the said last named premises upon the trust therein set forth. And the said William Parkin and Charles Manthorpe do severally declare that the said sum of One Thousand Pounds now standing in their names as aforesaid in the Bank of South Australia Adelaide together with all accumulations and additions thereto And also the said several sections of land and estates when transferred and vested as aforesaid and all other real estate which may hereafter be vested in the said Corporation is and are and shall be held for the said Institution to be called "The Parkin Trust Incorporated" upon the trusts intents and purposes following that is to say:—

1. That the said William Parkin and Charles Manthorpe together with any other five persons making together seven persons to be from time to time appointed in writing by the said William Parkin during his life and after his decease seven persons to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned are and shall be the Trustees and Governors of the said Trust and of the additions and accumulations thereto and of the rents and income arising therefrom and they the said William Parkin and Charles Manthorpe and such other persons as aforesaid are hereinafter designated the Governors.

2. That all lands and hereditaments rents and income and capital moneys coming to the hands of the Governors by gift or otherwise for the purposes of the Institution shall from time to time in their discretion as opportunity may offer be laid out and invested in the purchase of Crown or other lands in the Province of South Australia (or on mortgage of real estate until it is convenient to purchase other freehold land) and to continue to make and accumulate such investments until the net annual income or revenue arising therefrom shall amount to One Thousand Pounds or such greater sum as the Governors may deem sufficient for a commencement of the purposes of the Institution.

3. The Governors shall have power from time to time to demise and let all lands vested in them or in the said Corporation for any term or number of years in possession not exceeding twenty-one years for ordinary occupation or agricultural purposes and not exceeding sixty years for building purposes (with or without agreements in any of such cases for purchase) at the best yearly rents that can be reasonably obtained and without any fine premium or foregift subject to such covenants for building and generally for improving the said lands and premises and for preventing the deterioration thereof and for preventing the improper assignment or subletting of premises without the consent of the Corporation and other covenants as the Governors may agree and so that the tenants sign duplicates or triplicates (as the case may be) of the leases and with full power for the Governors to accept surrenders of leases or of any part of the premises comprised therein and at pleasure to regrant the same and to carry out contracts for sale and execute under their common seal all necessary deeds assurances leases and other documents and receive and reinvest purchase moneys. And also (with lands intended for building purposes) to lay out and give and dedicate roads for the use of tenants or others or of the public and to do and perform all other acts of a similar character: Provided that the Governors shall only exercise the power of sale hereby given in case of some great benefit arising to the Corporation from such sale.

4. As soon as the said annual income arising from such rents and interest or other income shall amount to One Thousand Pounds the Governors for the time being after setting aside and investing a sum equal to Five Pounds per centum of such income for accumulations (so far as the same can be lawfully done) and for a  
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reserve fund to meet any unforeseen emergencies which may from time to time arise in carrying out the purposes or provisions of the Institution shall pay and apply such income or a competent part thereof in providing for the education and maintenance of students for the Ministry among the Congregational or Independent Churches of South Australia. And the said income shall only be used for the purposes in this Deed or in any deed altering or adding to the original Deed contained and for the purposes of preserving in decent and proper order the family monument of the said William Parkin and for such other purposes as the Governors may from time to time direct and appoint in accordance with the provisions hereof.

5. The Governors may from time to time appoint dismiss and reappoint a Secretary Treasurer and all such other offices and servants as in their discretion they may consider necessary and such offices shall be honorary or at such salaries commission or other remuneration as the Governors may deem sufficient and the duties of such officers shall in all things be under the direction of the Governors.

6. The Governors may from time to time appoint (and at their pleasure suspend dismiss and reappoint) one or more theological tutor or tutors or professor or professors of theology to instruct and teach the students hereinbefore and hereinafter mentioned so as to fit them honorably to sustain the character of Ministers of the Gospel and each of such tutors or professors may have such salary stipend or remuneration as the Governors may think reasonable not exceeding Four Hundred Pounds a year or such larger or smaller sum as shall be equal or equivalent in value to that sum at the time of the execution of the Deed of Settlement to wit the eleventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six: Provided that not more than one-half of the income be appropriated to the salaries of such tutors or professors: Provided also that the sum to be from time to time fixed by the Governors shall not be altered at any shorter period than twenty years: Provided also that such tutor or tutors shall not have or hold any other situation occupation or employment except as a Minister of the Gospel of Christ and shall not either as tutor or minister state teach or maintain anything contrary to the Declaration of Faith Church Order and Discipline adopted and published by the Congregational Union of England and Wales as such Declaration is set forth in the Schedule hereunder written.

7. Students shall be nominated elected or appointed by the Governors at their discretion for such time and under such stipulations as the Governors may appoint. And the students may be suspended or dismissed and shall be subject to all such by-laws regulations and directions as shall be ordered made or enacted by the Governors from time to time and the Governors shall from time to time determine what arrangements shall be made for and shall provide for the educating the students for the office of preaching the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ amongst the Congregational and Independent Churches of South Anstralia. Such students to be thoroughly approved pious young men from the age of seventeen years and upwards. Should the students not possess sufficient pecuniary means of their own or if they shall be unable to contribute either wholly or in part to their own maintenance then so much of the said income as may be necessary may as economically as possible be used for their support during their course of training as may be needful to complete their studies for the ministry. Or should any candidate or applicant for a participation in the benefits of this Corporation be enabled to contribute in part to his own maintenance then the Governors may supplement the means of such student to such extent as may in their opinion be expedient. And it is declared that notwithstanding the provisions therein contained as to the purposes for which the said annual income shall be used it shall be lawful to pay and apply any sum not exceeding one-half of the surplus over and above One Thousand Pounds of the annual income after providing for all the matters aforesaid or such further sum as may be found necessary for the purposes hereinbefore contained to such persons and in such way as the Governors may deem best to assist in the erection and in the making of additions to chapels or schools connected with the Congregational Churches of South Australia. And also to pay and apply any sum not exceeding the other half of such surplus in such way as the Governors may deem best to assist in maintaining aged infirm or incapacitated accredited ministers of the Congregational Churches of South Australia who shall have exercised the duties of a minister for seven years or upwards in the said Province of South Australia or to assist to maintain the widows of such ministers

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or the families of such ministers as may be dead: Provided that no minister or minister's widow shall have or claim any right to assistance the same being entirely discretionary with the Governors: And provided that it be a recommendation to the Governors to prefer ministers who have been students assisted in their theological or other studies by the funds of the Parkin Trust Incorporated.

8. That for the purpose of electing or keeping up the number of seven Governors after the decease of the said William Parkin whether such vacancies shall be caused by rotation as hereinafter mentioned or by death absence from the province for twelve calendar months without the consent of the remaining Governors insolvency ceasing to be of sound mind being no longer a member in full communion with a Congregational Church or (in case of a minister) ceasing to exercise his office as pastor of a church (any of which events shall vacate the office of Governor) the Secretary of the Corporation or the continuing Governors (such continuing Governors although less than seven in number having power to act for such purpose) shall give notice of such vacancy to all the Churches of Christ in South Australia known as Independent or Congregational who shall hold and believe the Doctrines set forth in the said Declaration of Faith Church Order and Discipline set forth or referred to in the sixth section of these presents. And such notice shall also be given by one or more advertisement in the public newspapers and thereupon it shall be lawful for such of the said Churches as shall contribute annually to the said fund to nominate and appoint Electors in the proportion following (that is to say) every Church that shall contribute the sum of Five Pounds to the capital of the said Institution and shall undertake to continue such contribution as an annual subscription shall during the continuance of such annual subscription be entitled to appoint one Elector. Each Church so contributing Fifteen Pounds and so undertaking as aforesaid two Electors. And each Church so contributing Thirty Pounds or upwards and so undertaking as aforesaid three Electors. And it is declared that the qualification of such Electors shall be their respectively being Deacons or Members of the Church appointing the same provided that any Church entitled to appoint three Electors may appoint one such from out of the congregation not being a Member of the Church if satisfied that he is a God-fearing man and a true believer in the Doctrines aforesaid.

9. The pastor of each contributing Church or one of the persons so elected shall communicate the result of such election or elections to the Chairman or Secretary of the Corporation or other person holding an office of similar character who shall fix a time and place for the meeting of the Electors for the election of Governors and shall give notice of such time for election of Governors to the pastor of each such contributing Church or to the electors. At each such meeting such Electors shall proceed after due deliberation and united prayer to the great Head of the Church for guidance to elect seven men of long-trying character such as is described in the sixth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles the third verse from amongst the ministers and members of the several Churches known as Independent or Congregational as aforesaid four of whom shall be laymen either deacons or members of some one of such Churches and three regularly ordained (in the way and manner commonly observed by the said denomination) ministers of the Gospel of Christ and all of them shall be of holy conversation and Godliness of life. On the day of this election it is desirable (but not essential as a preliminary to the legal appointment of the Governors) that as many members as can conveniently meet at Adelaide from the various Churches throughout the province shall so meet and hold a solemn service to implore the Divine help and blessing on these men and this Corporation to confirm their election and consecrate them in the discharge of their duties to God. The seven persons so elected shall be known as Governors and two of such Governors shall retire by lot at the end of the first year two by lot at the end of the second year and the remaining three at the end of three years after the date of their appointment all of whom shall be eligible for re-election. And all Governors whether appointed by the said William Parkin or elected as aforesaid shall continue in office until their successors shall be appointed.

10. It shall be lawful for any of the aforesaid contributing Churches at any meeting held one month before the day fixed for the election of Governors to appoint one or more persons as Electors in the place of those originally appointed and therefrom the Electors in whose place such persons shall have been appointed shall cease to be electors.

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11. The Electors shall meet annually as nearly as possible on the anniversary of the day of their first meeting to elect new Governors in the place of them who shall retire as has been provided. But in case of decease or vacancy from any other cause such vacancy shall be forthwith filled up as before provided.

12. No error or omission on the part of the Secretary convening meetings or other technical matter or irregularity or want of form in the notices or proceedings or elections or appointments shall vitiate or avoid any such election or appointment nor shall any step or proceeding be taken to avoid or set aside the election of any Governor after he shall have commenced to take upon himself any of the rights or duties of a Governor. And as soon as may be after every such appointment of a Governor or Governors all necessary acts shall be done to effectuate such appointment.

13. The said William Parkin shall be President of the Corporation during his life and the Governors at their first meeting after the decease of the said William Parkin or as soon thereafter as may be convenient and from thence year by year or as occasion shall require shall elect one of their number as a President who shall have a casting vote only and shall have the custody of the common seal of the Corporation and the seal shall only be affixed to any deed document or instrument at a duly assembled meeting of Governors, and the affixing of such seal shall be attested by the signatures of the President for the time being and of two of the Governors.

14. Every year in the month of March the Governors shall draw up a report of their proceedings and a balance-sheet of the capital property and revenue of the Corporation which shall be presented to the Committee of the Congregational Union of South Australia during the said month which balance-sheet shall be duly audited by two auditors to be appointed one by the said Governors and one by the said Committee and the report and balance-sheet shall thereafter be printed and presented to the next annual meeting of the Congregational Union of South Australia.

15. The Governors shall meet as often as may be necessary at such time and place as they may from time to time determine and at every meeting three Governors shall form a quorum. Such meeting shall be convened by the Secretary by seven days' notice in writing but in case of emergency the President or any two Governors may convene a meeting by any shorter or other notice. And in case of the absence of the President the Governors present (being a quorum) shall elect one of their number to be a president for the purposes of such meeting.

16. The Governors shall have power from time to time to make alter rescind repeal and remake by-laws for the regulation of themselves and of the Corporation and of their officers and of the said elections and of the said estates investments income accumulations and reserve fund in all matters not provided for by or not antagonistic to the spirit and provisions of this deed. And every Governor shall be entitled to have a copy of such by-laws under the seal of the Corporation and such copy shall be conclusive evidence as between the parties concerned of all matters and things therein contained.

17. It shall be lawful for the Governors during the life of the said William Parkin with his consent in writing but not after his decease to alter or add to any of the powers or provisions of this deed.

18. It shall be within the provisions and intention of the Deed of Settlement that "The Parkin Trust Incorporated" or the persons who for the time being shall be the Governors of the Parkin Trust Incorporated or any of them may on behalf of or as the syndics or attorneys of the Parkin Trust Incorporated be the trustee or trustees executor or executors administrator or administrators with the Will annexed of the estate and effects either real or personal of any deceased person or persons or the guardian or guardians of the persons and estates of any infant or minor or the trustee or trustees of any settlement deed or other matter either for the benefit immediate or prospective or in possession or reversion of the Parkin Trust Incorporated or for the benefit or on behalf of any other person or persons or body or bodies corporate whomsoever and that the Parkin Trust Incorporated may from time to time make such rules by-laws and regulations as to such trusts executorships administrations and guardianships or as to the commissions fees or remuneration to be taken or charged in respect thereof as the Parkin Trust Incorporated may deem requisite or expedient.

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IN WITNESS whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals this eleventh day of October one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

Signed sealed and delivered by the above named William Parkin and Charles Man- thorpe in the presence of—	}	WILLIAM PARKIN	(L.S.)
		C. MANTHORPE	(L.S.)

J. ELDIN MOULDEN, Solicitor, Adelaide.

## THE SCHEDULE HEREINBEFORE REFERRED TO.

DECLARATION of the Faith Church Order and Discipline of The Congregation of Independent Dissenters adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Congregational Union May 1833.

The Congregational Churches in England and Wales frequently called Independent hold the following Doctrines as of Divine authority and as the foundation of Christian faith and practice. They are also formed and governed according to the principles hereinafter stated.

## PRELIMINARY NOTES.

1. It is not designed in the following summary to do more than to state the leading doctrines of faith and order maintained by Congregational Churches in general.

2. It is not proposed to offer any proofs reasons or arguments in support of the doctrines herein stated but simply to declare what the denomination believes to be taught by the pen of inspiration.

3. It is not intended to present a scholastic or critical confession of faith but merely such a statement as any intelligent member of the body might offer as containing its leading principles.

4. It is not intended that the following statement should be put forth with any authority or as a standard to which assent should be required.

5. Disallowing the utility of creeds and articles of religion as a bond of union and protesting against subscription to any human formularies as a term of communion Congregationalists are yet willing to declare for general information what is commonly believed among them reserving to every one the most perfect liberty of conscience.

6. Upon some minor points of doctrine and practice they differing among themselves allow to each other the right to form an unbiassed judgment on the Word of God.

7. They wish it to be observed that notwithstanding their jealousy of subscription to creeds and articles and their disapproval of the imposition of any human standard whether of faith or discipline they are far more agreed in their doctrines and practices than any Church which enjoins subscription and enforces a human standard of orthodoxy and they believe that there is no minister and no Church among them that would deny the substance of any one of the following doctrines of religion though each might prefer to state his sentiments in his own way:—

## PRINCIPLES OF RELIGION.

1. The Scriptures of the Old Testament as received by the Jews and the books of the New Testament as received by the primitive Christians from the Evangelists and Apostles Congregational Churches believe to be divinely inspiréd and of supreme authority. These writings in the languages in which they were originally composed are to be consulted by the aids of sound criticism as a final appeal in all controversies but the common version they consider to be adequate to the ordinary purposes of Christian instruction and edification.

2. They believe in one God essentially wise holy just and good eternal infinite and immutable in all natural and moral perfections the Creator Supporter and Governor of all beings and of all things.

3. They

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3. They believe that God is revealed in the Scriptures as the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit and that to each are attributable the same divine properties and perfections. The doctrine of the Divine existence as above stated they cordially believe without attempting fully to explain.

4. They believe that man was created after the Divine image sinless and in his kind perfect.

5. They believe that the first man disobeyed the Divine command fell from his state of innocence and purity and involved all his posterity in the consequences of that fall.

6. They believe that therefore all mankind are born in sin and that a fatal inclination to moral evil utterly incurable by human means is inherent in every descendent of Adam.

7. They believe that God having before the foundation of the world designed to redeem fallen man made disclosures of His mercy which were the grounds of faith and hope from the earliest ages.

8. They believe that God revealed more fully to Abraham the covenant of His grace and having promised that from His descendants should arise the Deliverer and Redeemer of mankind set that patriarch and his posterity apart as a race specially favored and separated to His service a peculiar Church formed and carefully preserved under the Divine sanction and government until the birth of the promised Messiah.

9. They believe that in the fulness of the time the Son of God was manifested in the flesh being born of the Virgin Mary but conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and that our Lord Jesus Christ was both the Son of Man and the Son of God partaking fully and truly of human nature though without sin equal with the Father and "the express image of his person."

10. They believe that Jesus Christ the Son of God revealed either personally in His own ministry or by the Holy Spirit in the ministry of His apostles the whole mind of God for our salvation and that by His obedience to the Divine law while he lived and by His sufferings unto death He meritoriously obtained "eternal redemption" for us having thereby vindicated and illustrated Divine justice "magnified the law" and "brought in everlasting righteousness."

11. They believe that after His death and resurrection He ascended up into heaven where as the Mediator He "ever liveth" to rule over all and "to make intercession for them that come unto God by Him."

12. They believe that the Holy Spirit is given in consequence of Christ's mediation to quicken and renew the hearts of men and that His influence is indispensably necessary to bring a sinner to true repentance to produce saving faith to regenerate the heart and to perfect our sanctification.

13. They believe that we are justified through faith in Christ as "the Lord our Righteousness" and not "by the works of the law"

14. They believe that all who will be saved were the objects of God's eternal and electing love and were given by an act of Divine sovereignty to the Son of God which in no way interferes with the system of means nor with the grounds of human responsibility being wholly unrevealed as to its objects and not a rule of human duty.

15. They believe that the Scriptures teach the final preservative of all true believers to a state of eternal blessedness which they are appointed to obtain through constant faith in Christ and uniform obedience to His commands.

16. They believe that a holy life will be the necessary effect of a true faith and that good works are the certain fruits of a vital union to Christ.

17. They believe that the sanctification of true Christians or their growth in the graces of the Spirit and meetness for heaven is gradually carried on through the whole period during which it pleases God to continue them in the present life and that at death their souls perfectly freed from all remains of evil are immediately received into the presence of Christ.

18. They believe in the perpetual obligation of Baptism and the Lord's Supper the former to be administered to all converts to Christianity and their Children by the application of water to the subject "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost" and the latter to be celebrated by Christian Churches as a token of faith in the Saviour and of brotherly love.

19. They

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19. They believe that Christ will finally come to judge the whole human race according to their works; that the bodies of the dead will be raised again and that as the Supreme Judge He will divide the righteous from the wicked will receive the righteous into "life everlasting" but send away the wicked into "everlasting punishment."

20. They believe that Jesus Christ directed His followers to live together in Christian fellowship and to maintain the communion of Saints and that for this purpose they are jointly to observe all Divine Ordinances and maintain that Church Order and Discipline which is either expressly enjoined by inspired institution or sanctioned by the undoubted example of the Apostles and of Apostolic Churches.

## PRINCIPLES OF CHURCH ORDER AND DISCIPLINE.

1. The Congregational Churches hold it to be the will of Christ that true believers should voluntarily assemble together to observe religious ordinances to promote mutual edification and holiness to perpetuate and propagate the Gospel in the world and to advance the glory and worship of God through Jesus Christ and that each society of believers having these objects in view in its formation is properly a Christian Church.

2. They believe that the New Testament contains either in the form of expressed statute or in the example and practice of Apostles and Apostolic Churches all the articles of faith necessary to be believed all the principles of order and discipline requisite for constituting and governing Christian Societies and that human traditions fathers and councils canons and creeds possess no authority over the faith and practice of Christians.

3. They acknowledge Christ as the only Head of the Church and the officers of each Church under Him as ordained to administer His laws impartially to all and their only appeal in all questions touching their religious faith and practice is to the sacred Scriptures.

4. They believe that the New Testament authorises every Christian Church to elect its own officers to manage all its own affairs and to stand independent of all and irresponsible to all authority saving that only of the Supreme and Divine Head of the Church the Lord Jesus Christ.

5. They believe that the only officers placed by the Apostles over individual Churches are the Bishops or pastors and the Deacons the number of these being dependent upon the numbers of the Church and that to these as the officers of the Church is committed respectively the administration of its spiritual and temporal concerns subject however to the approbation of the Church.

6. They believe that no persons should be received as members of Christian Churches but such as make a credible profession of Christianity are living according to its precepts and attest a willingness to be subject to its discipline and that none should be excluded from the fellowship of the Church but such as deny the faith of Christ violate His laws or refuse to submit themselves to the discipline which the Word of God enforces.

7. The power of admission into any Christian Church and rejection from it they believe to be vested in the Church itself and to be exercised only through the medium of its own officers.

8. They believe that Christian Churches should statedly meet for the celebration of public worship for the observance of the Lord's Supper and for the sanctification of the first day of the week.

9. They believe that the power of a Christian Church is purely spiritual and should in no way be corrupted by union with temporal or civil power.

10. They believe that it is the duty of Christian Churches to hold communion with each other to entertain enlarged affection for each other as members of the same body and to co-operate for the promotion of the Christian cause, but that no Church or Union of Churches has any right or power to interfere with the faith or discipline of any other church further than to separate from such as in faith or practice depart from the Gospel of Christ.

11. They believe that it is the privilege and duty of every church to call forth such of its members as may appear to be qualified by the Holy Spirit to sustain the office of the Ministry and that Christian Churches unitedly ought to consider the

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the maintenance of the Christian Ministry in an adequate degree of learning as one of their special cares that the cause of the Gospel may be both honorably sustained and constantly promoted.

12. They believe that Church officers whether bishops or deacons should be chosen by the free voice of the Church but that their dedication to the duties of their office should take place with special prayer and by solemn designation to which most of the Churches add the imposition of hands by those already in office.

13. They believe that the fellowship of every Christian Church should be so liberal as to admit to communion in the Lord's Supper all whose faith and Godliness are on the whole undoubted though conscientiously differing in points of minor importance and that this outward sign of fraternity in Christ should be co-extensive with the fraternity itself though without involving any compliances which conscience would deem to be sinful.

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## THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

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The Incarnation, Resurrection, and Ascension of the Only Begotten Son of the Father in Jesus Christ, Who is our Propitiatory Sacrifice, our Redeemer, our Judge, the Sole Head of His Church.

The Quickening, Indwelling, Guiding, and Sanctifying of The Holy Spirit.

The revelation of God's Grace to man and of man's duty to God in the Holy Scriptures.