

CHAP. 136. mixed, exceeding the sum of five thousand dollars; *and*  
 Proviso *provided also*, that nothing herein contained, shall be construed to authorise or empower said society to do or perform any act not necessary to the attainment of the benevolent purposes for which the said society is herein declared to be incorporated.

General powers SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said society and their successors, by the aforesaid name, shall forever hereafter be able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, in all or any courts of justice whatsoever; and the said society may also adopt such by-laws and regulations as they may deem necessary for the government thereof, the authentication of its acts and the proper management of its concerns; Proviso. *provided*, that the same shall not be contrary to any provision of this act, or any law of this State, or of the United States.

Election of officers SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the affairs of said society shall be managed and conducted by a president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, five stewards and a messenger, who shall be elected on the third Tuesday in March next, and annually thereafter; and until said election, the affairs of said society shall be conducted by the present officers.

In case dissolution be deemed necessary SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That if at any time it shall be deemed necessary to dissolve this society, a proposition to that effect shall be laid upon the table in writing, at a stated meeting of the society, but shall not be finally decided on until it has been nine full months before the society, and shall not take effect unless three-fourths of the members residing within the city of Baltimore are in favor thereof.

In force SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be and remain in force until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty, and until the end of the next session of the General Assembly thereafter; *provided however*, that nothing herein, shall be so construed as to authorise said corporation to issue notes of any kind, character or description, to be used as currency; or to deny to the Legislature the right to reclaim at pleasure the rights and privileges herein conferred.

Banking forbid