are elected; and that the said directors and all other persons who now are or who may hereafter become members of said Lodge in conformity to its constitution and by-laws now in force, or which may, under this Act, be ordained and by their successors, be and they are constituted and declared to be a community, corporation and body politic forever, by the name, style and title of Howard Lodge, number thirteen, Independent Order of Good Templars of Leitersburg, Washington county, Maryland, and by that name are hereby made capable in law, to have, receive and retain to them and their successors, property real and personal, and the same at their pleasure to transfer and dispose of, and to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be defended in any court of law or equity, and to have and use a common seal, the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure, and to make such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for the government of the property of said Lodge, and the management of its affairs.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That for the purpose of raising means to purchase suitable building or buildings for a hall in the town of Leitersburg, the aforesaid directors be authorized to issue certificates of stock to the amount of fifteen hundred dollars, in shares of five dollars each, to be paid in instalments of fifty cents per month on each share, until the first day of April, beginning on the first day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and thereafter as the by-laws may direct, giving not less than ten days notice of such payment, the board of directors to be elected annually on the first Saturday in April of each year by ballot of the stockholders of said corporation, a majority of votes cast to constitute an election, said election to take place on the aforesaid day, between the hours of twelve M., and four o'clock P. M., and three of the aforesaid directors to be members of good standing in the Lodge, and that the said five directors shall serve for one year, or until their successors shall be elected, and that they may elect a president, secretary and treasurer from their number, the treasurer to give an approved bond to the board of directors, and that the Certificates