

innuity, corporation and body politic for ever hereafter, by the name and style of the Taney-Town Library Company, and by that name they shall be and are hereby made able and capable in law to have, purchase and receive, possess, enjoy and retain, to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, and other hereditaments, in fee-simple, or for a term of years, life, lives or otherwise, and also goods, chattels and effects, of what nature, kind or quality soever, and the same to grant, demise, alien or dispose of, and by the name aforesaid to do and execute all other things touching the same; *Provided*, that the clear yearly value of the real estate of the said corporation, exclusive of any house which they now or hereafter may possess for the keeping of the books and other effects of the company, exceed not the sum of five hundred dollars.

Proviso;

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said company, and their successors, by the aforesaid name, shall be for ever hereafter able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in any courts of record, or in any other place whatsoever, and also to make, have, and use, a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew, at pleasure, and also to assemble and meet at such times and places as they may agree upon and publicly notify, and by a majority of the voices of those attending, to ordain, establish and put in execution, such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as to them shall seem necessary and convenient for the government of the company, the same not being contrary to the laws of this state, or of the United States, and generally to do and execute all such acts, matters and things, as to them shall or may appertain to do.

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laws.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That until there shall be, under this act, an election of officers necessary to the ends of the institution, those now acting, or who hereafter may be appointed to act under any existing regulations of the company, shall continue so to do, according to the provisions heretofore made, and such regulations shall, till lawfully altered, be deemed as valid and obligatory as if made after the passage of this act.

Officers now act-
ing to continue.

CHAP. LXXXVII.

An Act authorising a Lottery to raise a sum of money for the finishing Washington Academy, in Somerset County, and for other purposes.
Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 297.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Littleton Dennis, Levin Winder, John Dennis, Littleton D. Teakle and George W. Jackson, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof, provided the said Littleton Dennis, Levin Winder, John Dennis, Littleton D. Teakle and George W. Jackson, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of five thousand dollars, conditioned, that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months from the time the drawing of said lottery shall commence, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expenses incurred in

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