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ceeding term, shall not be allowed to such corporate body, except on such terms as to the court shall seem just, to the end, that the plaintiffs shall not suffer by the delay of the defendant, in not appearing at the first term.

CHAPTER 306.

Power of courts. *An act to Incorporate the Baltimore Property Guard.*

Persons who may be. Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That James M. Buchanan, George H. Brice, George M. Rogers, George Gardner, Felix Connelly, junior, James M. Anderson, William Chesnut, John D. Daniels, George W. Andrews, John Tensfield, Samuel Manning, Thomas E. Tilden, James O. Law, W. J. Leaman, B. U. Campbell, and such other persons as now are, or may hereafter become members of said company, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, one community, corporation, and body politic, forever hereafter, by the name and style of The Baltimore Property Guard, and by that name they shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in law, to have, purchase, receive, possess, enjoy, and retain, to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, or other hereditaments, and the same to grant, demise, alien, or dispose of, in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the interest of the company; *Provided, nevertheless,* that the said corporation shall not, at any time, hold or possess property, real, personal, or mixed, exceeding in value the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Legal capacities. Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors, by the aforesaid name, shall forever hereafter, be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all or any courts of justice whatever, and also to have, make, and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter, and renew at pleasure, and also to assemble at such times and places as they may agree upon, and to ordain, establish, and put in execution, such by-laws, ordinances, and regulations, as to them shall seem conducive to the interest of said corporation, and necessary to the good government and orderly management thereof, the same not being contrary to the laws of this State or of the United States—and

General powers.