

AN ACT to Incorporate the Farmers' and Mechanics Mutual Insurance Company of Frederick county. Passed March 10, 1860.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly* Incorporated.
of Maryland, That Joseph Willhide, William White, Frederick White, George W. Foreman, E. M. Willhide, James Creeger, Joshua Stokes, Henry Rouzer, John Rouzer, Martin Rouzer, William C. Landers, David Egler, Martin F. Sefton, Andrew Sifton, Henry Black, William J. Black, Leonard Pickering, Peter Buzard, Isaac H. Albaugh, George H. Johnson, John Arthur, Godple J. Sigmand and their successors, and all other persons who may hereafter become members of the corporation to be created by this act, are hereby created and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the Farmers' and Mechanics' of Frederick county, and by the same name shall have succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and defend, and be answered and defended in all courts of law and equity in this State, or elsewhere, to have, make and use a common seal, and the same to alter and renew at their pleasure, and shall have power and authority to make insurances on any kind of property, against loss and damage by fire, to provide for the keeping and investment of any funds or assets that may become the property of the company, and generally to transact and execute and perform all such business as may appertain to a fire insurance company, not being contrary to this act, to the constitution and laws of this State or of the United States; *Provided, however,* that nothing in this act shall be construed to grant banking privileges to the said company, or the right to issue any note of the nature of a bank note.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the secretary of said company to keep a book containing a copy of this act, and such constitution and by-laws of said company as may be established, and that all persons who may wish to become members of the said company shall be required to express, in writing, at the foot thereof, Duty of secretary—members, &c.