

Deford, William Cox, Joseph A. Thompson, Charles R. Cunnengham, J. H. Mullen, John A. Atkinson, Samuel S. Ryland, Robert M. Clery, William Batter, Henry Kone, Charles Wicker, Charles H. Turner, Thomas Watson, Thomas Hooper, John Rummel, Samuel Ashcom, William Thompson, David Hartzell, William M. Wilson, William Coale, John Napier, William McLean, Jacob Wiker, John Spening, William B. Phillips, Emanuel Chipman, James Steine, Samuel C. Bordley, Wesley Mason, the officers and members of Gratitude Lodge, number one, of the Order of Independent Odd Fellows, attached to the Grand Lodge of Maryland, and their successors, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate, by the name and number of Gratitude Lodge number five, of the Order of Independent Odd Fellows of the State of Maryland, and by that name they may sue and be sued, have a common seal, and the same at their pleasure, alter and be entitled to use the powers and privileges incident to such corporations.

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SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall be capable of taking and holding real and personal estate not exceeding the value of ten thousand dollars, which estate shall never be divided among the members of the corporation, but shall descend to their successors for the benevolent relief of the sick and distressed, the education of the orphans of its members, and for the promotion of their purposes generally.

May hold real and personal estate.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this corporation shall not be permitted to issue any note, token, device, scrip, or other evidence of debt, to be used as a currency.

Banking forbidden.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act of incorporation shall inure for thirty years from its passage, and that the legislature reserves to itself the right to alter or annul this act of incorporation at pleasure.

In force.

CHAPTER 193.

*An act supplementary to an act, entitled an act to establish Magistrates Courts, in the several Counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction, so far as the same relates to Charles County.*

Passed March 3, 1842.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the county court in Charles county, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the Magistrates courts of said county in all actions of replevin, trespass, trover and of assault and battery.

Jurisdiction.