Mortimer, W. Cave, Jos. Wellslager, T. J. Warrington, A. Cline, Jas. Young, J. Hitchock, C. Alterhoff, F. Hopkins, D. McCleester, J. Hopkins, W. H. Hooper, Edw'd. Thompson, J. German, H. Hand and Thomas Watts and others, the officers and members of the Powhattan Tribe, number five, of the Order of Independent Red Men of the State Maryland, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be, a community, corporation and body politic, by name, style and title of the Powhattan Tribe, number five, of the Independent Order of Red Men of the State of Maryland, and by that name, they and their successors shall, and may at all times hereafter be capable in law to have, receive and retain, to them and their successors, property real and personal, and also devises or bequests of any person or persons, bodies corporate or politic, capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure, to transfer or dispose of in such manner as they may think proper; *provided always*, that the said corporation or body politic, shall not at any time hold or possess property, real and personal or mixed, exceeding in annual value the sum of five thousand dollars.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation and their successors by the name and title aforesaid, shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in all or any courts of law and equity, and before all or any judges, officers or persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, matters or demands whatsoever.

Common seal.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal for their use, and the same at their will and pleasure to change, alter or make anew from time to time, as they may think best, and shall in general have and exercise, all such rights, privileges and immunities as by law are incident or necessary to corporations, and what may be necessary to the corporation herein constituted, and to enable the members of said order to exercise all things concerning the design of this corporation for the benevolent releif of the sick and distressed and for the promotion of their purposes generally.

Legislature may demand a statement.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful at any time, for the General Assembly, to demand a statement of the amount of property, real and personal, belonging to the said corporation, and of the debts due to and from the said corporation, and the purposes for which disbursments shall have been made, and shall also have the right to authorise one or more persons, to inspect such general accounts in the books of the corporation, as shall relate to such statements.