

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the corporation hereby created, shall not issue or put in circulation, or cause to be issued or put in circulation, any bill, note, check, device or evidence of debt whatsoever, to be used as currency or money; and that the General Assembly hereby reserves the right at any time to repeal, alter or amend this charter when the same shall be deemed advisable.

CHAP. 151.

Banking forbid

CHAPTER 151.

An act to incorporate the Directors of the Book Concern of the Methodist Protestant Church. Passed Jan. 30, 1840.

WHEREAS, sundry persons, hereinafter named, have been appointed by the proper authorities of the Methodist Protestant Church, to conduct a Book Establishment or Concern, in the city of Baltimore, with a view of furnishing the community with appropriate books and publications of a religious and literary character, and have prayed for an act of incorporation, that they may be better enabled to carry such purpose into effect—therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That John Clark, Beale H. Richardson, Philip S. Chappell, James R. Williams, Andrew A. Lipscomb, James K. Everist, Charles W. Ridgely, and William L. Richardson, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, by the name, style and title of the President and Directors of the Book Concern of the Methodist Protestant Church, and by the same shall be made capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity, in this State or elsewhere; to make a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure; to establish and execute such bye-laws, ordinances and regulations; and appoint such officers, as a wise and prudent regard to the interests of the Concern shall dictate; to have, hold and receive goods, chattels and effects of what nature and description soever, not to exceed in the whole sixty thousand dollars in value; and to purchase materials and make contracts for the purchasing, publishing and vending of all such books, tracts, pamphlets and periodicals, as they may determine upon.

Individuals incorporated

Name and style

Legal capacity

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said directors shall be subject to such rules and regulations as have been, or

Rules to govern corporation