

pay the sum of three dollars on the receipt of such certificate, and the like sum of three dollars annually thereafter. **CHAP. 131.**

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That nothing in this act shall be construed to alter or repeal the act of December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-three, chapter one hundred and eighty-eight, and its supplements, relating to uniformed volunteer companies in the city of Baltimore. **Not to alter or repeal act of 1823.**

CHAPTER 131.

An act to incorporate the German Roman Catholic Beneficial Society of Cumberland. **Passed Feb. 13, 1847.**

Preamble.
WHEREAS, Francis M. Gramlick, Henry Shriver, Martin Gramlick, Barnhard Barlage, Henry Cohlman, Henry Turner, Barnhard Dressman, Harmon Griese, Casper Brenger, John Gocke, Valentine Helfreck and Mathias Branker, by their petition to this General Assembly represent, that they and others of the county of Allegany, have formed themselves into an association by the name of the German Roman Catholic Beneficial Society of Cumberland, for the purpose of providing a fund by small periodical contributions in time of health, for the support of such members of the association, during sickness, as may hereafter be in need of assistance, and for the funeral expenses of deceased members, and to make provision for the widows and orphans of such as may require it, and with a view, the better to carry out the benevolent object of the association, have prayed to be incorporated—Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Francis M. Gramlick, Henry Shriver, Martin Gramlick, Barnhard Barlage, Henry Cohlman, Henry Turner, Barnhart Dressman, Harmon Griese, Casper Brenger, John Gocke, Valentine Helfreck, Mathias Branker, and their associates and successors, and all those who may hereafter become members of the said association be, and they are hereby created and made a body corporate, by the name and style of the German Roman Catholic Beneficial Society of Cumberland, and by that name shall have succession for thirty years, and be capable in law to sue and be sued, to adopt and have a corporate seal, to take, hold, sell and transfer any estate, real, personal or mixed, not exceed-