

CHAP. 220. politic; shall not at any one time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, which shall be of the annual value of, or yield an income annually exceeding two 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 justice, and before all or any judges, officers or persons, in all and singular any actions, matters and demands whatsoever.

Made by laws. Common seal. SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to make by laws, and have a common seal for their use, and the same at their pleasure to change, alter, make anew, from time to time, as they may think best, and shall in general have and exercise all such rights, powers, privileges and immunities as by law are incident or necessary to the corporation therein constituted, to enable its members to exercise all things concerning the designs of the corporation, for the relief of the sick and distressed, and for the promotion of their benevolent purposes generally.

Funds and estate not to be divided or distributed. SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That the funds and the estate of the corporation shall not at any time be divided or distributed amongst the members, or diverted from the purposes contemplated by its formation, without the permission of the General Assembly of Maryland.

Exist for fifty years. SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That this act of incorporation shall continue and exist for fifty years from its passage, unless the General Assembly of Maryland should alter, amend or annul it, which right it reserves to the Legislature to exercise at pleasure.

Right reserved. Issues forbid. SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be construed as to allow the said corporation to issue any note, token, scrip or device, to be used as a currency.

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Passed March 8, 1847. An act entitled, a supplement to an act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, chapter seveny-three.

Apportioned. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the amount of money authorised to be raised by the act to which this is a supplement, shall be appor-