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the society.

and the same at their pleasure to alien, sell, transfer or lease in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the benevolent and charitable uses of said society; *Provided nevertheless*, That the said corporation or body politic shall not at any time hold or possess real, personal or mixed property, exceeding in total value, the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the members of said corporation and their successors may meet together on the first Fridays of January and July eighteen hundred and twelve, and semi-annually thereafter, or as soon after as may be, and then and there elect the officers of said society, and form such rules and regulations as may be necessary for assuring and carrying into effect the benevolent purposes of this act; *Provided*, Such rules and regulations shall not contravene or be repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said corporation, and their successors by the name aforesaid, shall be forever thereafter able and 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 court of justice, and before all or any judges, officers or persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, matters or demands whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful for them and their successors forever thereafter, to have and keep a common seal for their use, and the same at their will, and pleasure of them and their successors, to change, alter, break and make anew from time to time as they shall think best; and shall in general have and exercise all such rights, franchises, privileges and immunities, as by law are incident and necessary to corporations of this kind; and what may be necessary to corporations of this kind, and what may be necessary to the corporation herein constituted, to enable them duly and fully in law, to execute all things touching and concerning the design and intent of their said corporation, for the benevolent succour and relief of such distressed and deserving citizens as the regulations and by-laws of said corporation authorise, and to effect the end of their institution requires.

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CHAPTER 197.

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1812.

*An act to authorise the Chancellor to decree a sale
of certain Lands.*

Chancellor may

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of