

the purpose of collecting a library of literary and scientific books for the use of its members, with a design to encourage and cultivate mental improvement, for the better accomplishment of which design they have asked for an act of incorporation; and whereas, the object of such an Association seems to be laudable and beneficial, and said request to be reasonable; Therefore,

Incorporated.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That W. E. Weber, Joseph Sprigg, L. M. Tucker, C. C. Shriver, F. S. Hoblitzell, C. B. Pearre, S. Smith, E. C. Gaskill, S. H. Taylor, Wm. A. Taylor, and such other persons as now are or may hereafter become members, shall be and they are hereby created and made a body politic and corporate by the name, style and title of the Wirt Literary Association of Cumberland, and by that name shall have continued succession, and be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead, defend and be defended in any court of law or equity in this State or elsewhere, and to make, have and use a common seal and the same to alter and renew at pleasure.

Authorised to elect officers.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said association shall have power to elect on the first Thursday in April, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and as often thereafter as they may deem expedient, from amongst its members, a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Librarian, Secretary and a board of five directors, to hold stated meetings, to establish and put in execution, alter or abolish such by-laws, rules and regulations as to them shall seem most conducive to the interest of the association, provided the same be not contrary to the laws of the State or of the United States; to purchase and hold a library and apparatus and to purchase, receive, hold and dispose of any other property, real or personal, not at any time exceeding three thousand dollars, and generally to do any other matter or thing necessary to carry into effect the object of the Association.

Exempt from taxation.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the Library, apparatus and personal property of said association shall be exempt from all taxation.

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