

Dec.Ses. 1823

Contributions.

Expences, premiums, &c.

Quorum.

Members.

Incorporation.

Proviso.

Articles recognised.

Powers.

lations, as they shall from time to time deem necessary for carrying into effect the objects of the institutions.

Art. 8. Every Member on joining this association, shall pay to the Treasurer, or to the Assistant Treasurer, a sum not less than two dollars, and shall annually thereafter at the time of the annual meeting of the Society, pay a sum not less than two dollars, so long as he may continue to be a Member of said Society.

Art. 9. All expenses incurred in the procuring of premiums to be distributed by the Society at their meeting on the Western Shore, and all expenses incurred by the Trustees in the preparatory arrangements for such meeting or otherwise shall be paid by the Treasurer, under an order signed by the President, and countersigned by the corresponding Secretary, and all expenses incurred on the Eastern Shore for premiums or otherwise as aforesaid, shall be paid by the Assistant Treasurer under an order signed by the Vice President, and countersigned by the assistant Recording Secretary.

Art. 10. At every meeting of the Society, the President or the Vice President attending, shall with the Members present, form a quorum.

Art. 11. The Society shall consist of inhabitants of the state of Maryland, and of the District of Columbia, friendly to Agriculture, and provision shall be made for the election and admission of honorary members: *And whereas*, sundry members of the said Association have prayed to be incorporated by law—Therefore,

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all and every person or persons who at the time of the passage of this act may be, or shall hereafter become Members of said Society be, and are hereby created, a body politic, and corporate by the name, style and title, of the Maryland Agricultural Society, and by the same name shall be able to sue, and be sued in all courts of law or equity, and to make and have a common Seal, and also to ordain, and establish such bye-laws, and regulations as shall appear necessary for regulating the concerns of the said corporation, and may hold property real, personal and mixed not being contrary to this act or to the constitution of this state: *Provided always*, that the same shall not exceed, exclusive of the sums by this act contemplated, to raise the annual sum of one thousand dollars.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the Rules and Regulations set forth in the above recited articles of Association shall be, and are hereby declared to be a part of this act of incorporation, and shall be and remain the Rules and Regulations of said body corporate until it shall be found expedient to amend the same: *Provided*, that the next and all subsequent meetings of the Society on each Shore, shall be on such days and at such places as from time to time shall be designated and notified by the Trustees of such Shore.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the Maryland Agricultural Society shall be, and is hereby authorised and empowered by its Trustees, or other Officers by them designated for the purpose, to define and fix bounds and limits of sufficient extent for the erection of its cattle pens and yards, and for convenient passage ways, to and about the same, on the days of its annual Cattle Shows and Exhibitions, and also for its ploughing matches and trials of working oxen, within which bounds and limits, no person or persons shall be permitted to enter or pass unless in conformity with the rules and regulations of the trustees or other officers of said society, and if any person shall enter or pass within the bounds and limits, thus fixed and defined as aforesaid con-

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