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powered, on application by James H. Gest of said county, in behalf of Susan E. Elliott, Mary M. Elliott and Sarah H. Gest, or on his application for either of them, to issue a commission directed to five sensible and judicious men, authorising them, or a majority of them, to make division of the real estate which Thomas Elliott, deceased, devised in his last will and testament to his daughters Susan Elliott, Mary Gest, and his grand-daughter Sarah H. Gest, according to their respective titles and interest in the same.

Course of proceedings of commissioners

2. *And be it enacted*, That the course and manner of the proceedings of the said commissioners shall be the same in all respects as is prescribed by the act of descents, and the several supplementary acts thereto, for the regulating and government of commissioners appointed under the said acts and supplements.

CHAP. XXXIII.

Passed Jan 4, 1820
Preamble

An Act to incorporate The Jackson Beneficial Society of Baltimore.

WHEREAS William F. Read, Alexander J. W. Jackson, Andrew A. Campbell, John Fossett, Richard Chapman, John Peal, Abraham Sliver, Thomas M. Kinley, Thomas A. Taylor, William Duff, Joshua Downs, David Jones, Laurence Frederick, James Mooney, Samuel Rust, Isaac N. George, William Martin, Josiah Vesey, William Doyle, John Ormsby, Levin Smith, Robert Gott, J. F. Winchell, David Harlow, Delaphine Griffing, George Winkle, Ezekiah Langley, John Tilman, John Poulson, Thomas Thompson, Patrick M. Kelly, Thomas Twigg, and others of the city of Baltimore, have formed themselves into a society, under the name and style of The Jackson Beneficial Society of Baltimore, for the purpose of aiding and assisting each other during periods of sickness of themselves or families, or when overtaken by misfortune, and have petitioned the general assembly of Maryland, for an act of incorporation; therefore,

Members incorporated

1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the aforesaid members of the said society, as well as those who hereafter, according to the constitution and by-laws of the said society, shall become members of it, be and they are hereby created and made a corporation and body politic for ever hereafter, by the name and style of The Jackson Beneficial Society of Baltimore, and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of purchasing, holding and selling, both real and personal property, as other corporations may do by law, provided the value of the property held at any one time shall not exceed ten thousand dollars; and to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and to make, have and use, one common seal, and the same to alter at pleasure, and generally to do all acts and things which may be necessary to carry into effect the objects of the said corporation.

Officers of society

2. *And be it enacted*, That the officers of the said society shall consist of a president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary, who shall be elected by ballot on the third Monday in March annually, a majority of all the members of the said society being necessary to constitute a choice; the society shall also have power to appoint such other officers as may be deemed expedient and necessary, in such a manner as may be thought most proper.

Powers of society.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said society shall have power to pass by-laws, to fix the amount in money which each person shall