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venteen; entitled, an act to incorporate the Hibernian Society of Baltimore, be; and are hereby extended to the purchase, and leasing for terms of years, of one or more lots of ground, and the erection of a suitable building or buildings for a free school in the city of Baltimore, for the education of poor children of every religious denomination, under the direction of said society, and under such regulations as said society by their bye-laws may direct, and that said society be and are hereby capable of receiving donations, gifts, grants, devises and bequests, or other conveyances of money, goods, chattles, effects, lands, tenements and estates, real, personal and mixed, and the same to hold, use, sell or otherwise dispose of and convey, and generally to do all such acts, matters or things, as are, or shall be necessary for the purpose of erecting said building or buildings, and applying the funds aforesaid, to the education of such poor children, as may be hereafter admitted by the said society, into the said school.

Passed Feb.
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Incorporation.

CHAPTER 125.

An act to incorporate the town of Williamsport in Washington county.
* Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the citizens of the town of Williamsport, in Washington county, shall be, and they are hereby constituted and made a body corporate by the name of the Burgess and Commissioners of Williamsport, with all the privileges of a body corporate, and to have a common seal and perpetual succession.

Elections.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the free white male citizens of Williamsport aforesaid, of the age of twenty-one years, and upwards, and having resided in the said town for and during the space of twelve months next preceding the election, shall, on the first Monday in April next, at the house now occupied as a tavern by Charles Heseltine, and on the first Monday in March in each and every year hereafter, at such house as shall hereafter be designated as the Town Hall, by the municipality, be authorised to elect a Burgess, an Assistant Burgess, and five Commissioners for the said town, who shall have resided within the limits of the said town twelve months next preceding the election, and who shall each be the proprietor of a house and lot, within the limits of the said town.

Judges of elections, &c.

3. *And be it enacted,* That a justice of the peace for the time being residing in the said town, shall appoint by writing under his hand and seal, one judge to hold the first election, who shall keep the poles open from nine o'clock in the morning until two in the evening, and shall conduct the said election in the manner in which the judges of election are now by law directed to conduct an election for delegates to the general assembly, as far as may be consistent with the provisions of this act, and the said judge shall make return under his hand and seal of the persons elected, to the clerk of Washington county, to be by him safely kept.

Future elections.

4. *And be it enacted,* That all future elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the bye-laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Presiding officers.

5. *And be it enacted,* That the Assistant Burgess aforesaid at all meetings of the municipality shall in the absence of the Burgess preside, and when the Burgess is present shall have the same power and authority as one of the commissioners.