

- CHAP. 303.** Stiles, Clinton Boyd, Martin W. Mettee, Jesse Taylor, Benjamin F. Parlett, James Disney, James H. Stran, John Hilditch, William B. Henderson and John Charlton, officers and members of John Hancock Division, number seventeen, of the Sons of Temperance, of the city of Baltimore and State of Maryland, and their successors, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate, by the name and number of John Hancock Division, number seventeen, of the Sons of Temperance, of the city of Baltimore and State of Maryland, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; and have a common seal, and the same at their pleasure alter; and be entitled to use the powers and privileges incident to such corporations.
- Name and number.**
- Legal capacity.**
- May hold real and personal property.** **SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall have power to take and hold real and personal property, not exceeding in value at any time, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, which property shall never be divided among the members of the said corporation, but shall descend to their successors, to be applied to the relief of the sick and distressed members of said corporation, the education of the children of deceased members, and for the promotion of these objects generally.
- Alter and amend by-laws.** **SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted,* That the corporation aforesaid, shall have power to alter and amend the by-laws thereof at pleasure; *provided,* that such alteration and amendment do not in any way conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland, the laws of the United States, or the laws of the Grand Division of the Sons Temperance of the State of Maryland.
- Proviso.**
- Issues forbid.** **SEC. 4.** *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall not be allowed to issue any note, token, device, scrip or other evidence of debt, to be used as a currency.
- Enure for 40 years.** **SEC. 5.** *And be it enacted,* That this act of incorporation shall enure for forty years from the passage hereof, and that the legislature reserves to itself the right to alter and amend the same at pleasure.
- Right reserved.**

CHAPTER 303.

Passed Mar. 9, 1846. *An act for the incorporation of Mechanicstown Division, Number Twenty-one, of the Sons of Temperance.*

Incorporated. **SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Doctor E. L. Brown, Leonard Picking,