

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

and created a body politic, by the name, style and title of the Maryland Institute, for the promotion of the Mechanic Arts; and by that name shall have continual succession, and be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, in any court of record or elsewhere; to have, make, and use a common seal, and the same at pleasure to alter or renew; to receive donations, gifts, grants, devises and bequests, or other conveyances of money, goods, chattels, effects, lands, tenements and estates, real and personal; and the same to hold, use, sell, or otherwise dispose of, and convey; and generally to do all such acts, matters and things, as are or shall be necessary to carry into full effect the objects of the said corporation; *Provided always*, that the clear annual value of the property owned by the said corporation shall not exceed ten thousand dollars.

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2. *And be it enacted*, That the objects of the said corporation shall be, the encouragement and promotion of manufactures, and the mechanic and useful arts, by the establishment of popular lectures, upon the sciences connected with them; by the formation of a library and cabinets of models and minerals; by offering premiums for excellence in those branches of national industry, deemed worthy of encouragement; by examining new inventions submitted for that purpose, and by such other means as experience may suggest.

Objects of the
institute.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the members of the said corporation, shall consist of manufacturers, mechanics, artizans, and persons friendly to the mechanic arts, who shall hereafter be elected in such manner, and pay such sum annually, or in gross, for an annual or life subscription, as the bye-laws of the said corporation shall appoint and require.

Members.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the affairs of the said corporation shall be conducted and managed by a president, and by such other officers, and in such manner as the bye-laws to be made as herein directed, shall authorise and provide; that such officers shall be elected annually, at a meeting of the said corporation, to be held on the second Wednesday in October, and that until the second Wednesday in October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, the present officers of the society, to wit: William Stuart, President, George Warner, and Fielding Lucas, junior, vice presidents; John Mowton, recording secretary; Doctor William Howard, corresponding secretary; Samuel Harden, treasurer; James H. Clark, John D. Craig, D. G. McCoy, Jacob Deems, Solomon Etting, William H. Freeman, Benjamin C. Howard, Moses Hand, William Hubbard, William Krebs, Thomas Kelso, Robert Carey Long, John H. B. Latrobe, Peter Leary, William Meeteer, James Mosher, Hezekiah Niles, Henry Payson, William Roney, Joseph K. Stapleton, William F. Small, James Sykes, James R. Williams, Samuel D. Walker, managers, shall conduct the affairs of the said corporation, conformably to the constitution and articles formed and agreed to by the members previous to the passage of this act,

Officers, elec-
tions.