

No. 396.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Newportville horse company of Bucks county, for the detection of horse thieves and other robbers, and the recovery of stolen property.

- SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the Newportville horse company, of Bucks county, for the detection of horse thieves and other robbers, and the recovery of stolen property, is hereby erected into a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "The Newportville horse company of Bucks county, for the detection of horse thieves and other robbers, and the recovery of stolen property;" and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued in all the courts of record of Pennsylvania and elsewhere; and shall be able to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy to them and to their successors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, rents, annuities, franchises, goods and chattels of what nature, quality or kind soever, real, personal or mixed, or choses in action, and shall have power the same from time to time to sell, grant, alien, and dispose of: *Provided,* That the clear yearly income of the lands and tenements, goods and chattels shall not exceed two thousand dollars; and also to ordain, establish, and put in execution such subordinate laws and regulations as shall appear necessary and convenient for the government of said corporation, not being contrary to the constitution of the United States or of this commonwealth; and generally to do all and singular such matters and things which to them it shall lawfully appertain to do for the well being of the said corporation, and the proper management of its affairs.
- SECTION 2.** That this society shall consist of all such persons as are now members, or shall hereafter be admitted as such, agreeably to the by-laws of said society.
- SECTION 3.** That the officers of the said society shall consist of five directors, who shall elect one of their number to preside as president, one secretary and one treasurer; the duties of said offices shall be particularly set forth in the by-laws of said society.
- SECTION 4.** That the officers enumerated by this act shall be chosen by ballot, at a general meeting of the said society, on the last Saturday of December, annually, to continue in office for one year, or until their successors be elected.
- SECTION 5.** That the funds of the society shall be exclusively appropriated to the payment of rewards offered for, and the expenses incurred in detecting horse thieves and other villains, and recovering stolen horses, and defraying the necessary costs attending the meetings of the society.
- SECTION 6.** That the legislature reserves the right to alter, amend, or annul the charter, at any time hereafter.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK