

No. 333.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Washington Express horse company, of Roxborough, in the county of Philadelphia.

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 Washington Express horse company, of Roxborough, in the county of Philadelphia, is hereby erected into a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "The Washington Express horse company;" and by the same name, shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued in all courts of law and elsewhere; and to have a common seal, the same to alter and renew at pleasure; and shall be capable in law and equity, to take and hold for the use of the said company, any goods and chattels, or any sum or sums of money, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, will, devise, bequest or otherwise, from any person or persons whomsoever, capable of making the same, and the yearly income of which shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars; and the same to grant, bargain, sell, and a good conveyance make for the use of the said company, and generally to do all and singular the matters and things, which may be lawful and necessary for them to do, for the well being and due management of the affairs thereof. Privileges.

SECTION 2. That this company shall consist of all such persons as are now members, to wit: Hiram Johnson, William Bickings, Alfred Aull, Henry A. Rex, Richard S. Bickings, David Tarter, William Woolf, John Crawford, Henry Sines, Thomas Whiteman, Joseph Marshall, George Moyer, senior, George Lare, Joseph Gilkeson, George W. Wagoner, John B. Moyer, Martin Bickings, James F. Nicholas, Hugh Hallowell, George F. Ulmer, Andrew Richey, Daniel Haas, Joseph Aull, William Hesser, William G. Dear, and all such persons as shall hereafter be admitted members, agreeably to the by-laws of said company. Members.

SECTION 3. That the officers of this company shall consist of one president, one vice president, one treasurer and one secretary; the duties of said offices shall be particularly set forth in the by-laws of said company. Officers.

SECTION 4. The annual meeting of the company, shall be held on the first Monday evening in February, in every year, at seven o'clock, when the officers enumerated in this act, shall be chosen by ballot, to continue in office for one year; and the stated quarterly meetings shall be held on the first Monday evenings in May and August, at eight o'clock, and on the first Monday evening in November, at seven o'clock; and if any of the offices shall become vacant by death, resignation or removal, they shall be filled by an election at the next stated meeting. Annual meeting.

SECTION 5. The funds of this company shall be raised from the payments for memberships, quarterly dues, fines, and other lawful means, and shall be exclusively appropriated to the payment of rewards offered for, and the expense incurred in detecting horse thieves, and recovering funds. Appropriation of funds.

stolen horses, and defraying the necessary costs attending the meetings of the company.

To increase funds.

SECTION 6. If at any time the funds of the company should be inadequate to its emergencies, such deficiency shall be levied, by an equal assessment, upon every member of the company.

By-laws.

SECTION 7. That the company shall have power at any annual or stated quarterly meeting, to make such by-laws as may be deemed necessary for its better regulation: *Provided*, That such by-laws are not repugnant to this act, or inconsistent with the constitution of this state, or of the United States.

Proviso.

Reservation.

SECTION 8. That the legislature reserves the right to alter, amend, or annul the charter at any time hereafter.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 334.

AN ACT

For the relief of the sureties of William Parsons, late collector at Lockport; relating to the Mutual fire insurance company of Montgomery county.

Auditor general to allow credit.

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 auditor general be and he is hereby authorized to allow a credit of one hundred and thirty dollars and eleven cents to the sureties of William Parsons, late collector at Lockport, being one year's interest on the defalcation of said Parsons, erroneously charged, and for which judgment has been obtained in the court of common pleas of Dauphin county.

Committee of the Mutual fire insurance company of Montgomery county shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses.

SECTION 2. That the committee of the board of managers authorized to be appointed in pursuance of an act, approved the thirty-first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-one, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mutual fire insurance company of Montgomery county," by the president of the said company, by the seventh section of the act to which this is a supplement, or any one of them, shall have power and authority to issue subpoenas to any person or persons as witnesses, and to compel by attachment, the attendance of such witness or witnesses at such time and place as be designated in the subpoena or subpoenas; and on the attendance of such witness or witnesses, the said committee or either of them, shall have authority to administer an oath or affirmation to such witness or witnesses, to testify in relation to such matters as form the subject matter of investigation by such committee;