

No. 267.

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To incorporate the Sons of Temperance hall association of Schuylkill Haven, in the county of Schuylkill.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Certain citizens of this commonwealth hereinafter named, have associated together for the purpose of erecting a Sons of Temperance hall in the borough of Schuylkill Haven, in the county of Schuylkill, and have with certain moneys raised by issuing certificates of stock and certificates of loan, purchased a certain lot or piece of ground, situate on the south-east side of Front street, above Peter street, in the said borough of Schuylkill Haven, and erected upon the same a hall and other buildings, for the use and accommodation of the division of the Sons of Temperance and other benevolent societies; therefore,

Corporators.

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 Absalom Reifsnyder, Benjamin M. Lewis, E. Holt, Jacob Feger, John B. Kennedy, John Freehafer, George Dillman, John L. Coho, Thomas F. Kennedy, Levi Lewis, William Ungerbuehler, Philip R. Palm, Daniel Saylor, Joshua Burchfield, Abraham Saylor, Abraham East, Gabriel Wagner, Adam Ruch, George D. Bowman, Benjamin de Long and John Weaver, and their successors, and all persons who are now or may be hereafter associated with them, be and they are hereby created and erected into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "The Sons of Temperance hall association of the borough of Schuylkill Haven," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity and elsewhere, and shall be able and capable in law and equity to take and hold to them and their successors, either by gift, grant, devise or lease, any lands or real estate for the use of the said association; and also to take and hold for the use of the said association, any goods and chattels, sum and sums of money, by gift, grant, bargain and sale, will, devise or bequest, from any person or persons whatsoever capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure to grant, bargain and sell for the use of the said association, and generally to do and perform all and singular the matters and things which shall be lawful for them to do and perform for the well being and due management of the affairs of the said association:

Style.

Privileges.

Proviso.

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Provided, That the real estate of which the said corporation shall at any time be possessed, shall not exceed the clear yearly value of five thousand dollars: *And provided also,* That the certificates of stock and certificates of loan already issued by the persons, and for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, shall be assumed by the said the Sons of Temperance hall association of the borough of Schuylkill Haven, who shall pay the interest now due, or that may hereafter become due on the same, and redeem the same whenever they shall respectively become due and payable; the liability of the said association for the payment of the said interest and the redemption of the said certificates, to be the same as if they had been issued by the said association in virtue of law: *And provided also,* That from and immediately after

the passage of this act, the title to the said lot or piece of ground, and the hall and other buildings thereon erected, shall be vested in the Sons of Temperance hall association of the borough of Schuylkill Haven, as fully to all intents and purposes, as the same is held by the persons hereinbefore mentioned.

SECTION 2. The stockholders shall meet annually on the last Saturday in December, and choose by ballot five trustees, who shall serve until their successors are elected; a majority of the whole number of votes polled, shall constitute a choice, and in the event of a failure to elect any of the said trustees, at any regular election, or in case there shall be a vacancy or vacancies in the board of trustees, growing out of any cause whatever, such action shall be taken as the said association shall by its by-laws provide; at the first meeting of the trustees after their election in each year, they shall elect from their body a president, secretary and treasurer, and such other officers as the business of the corporation may require: *Provided*, That the trustees and officers now managing the affairs of the said Sons of Temperance hall association, shall continue as trustees and officers of the corporation hereby created, till the regular election shall be held as before provided.

Annual meeting
of stockholders.
Trustees.

SECTION 3. That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal, and the same at their will and pleasure to change, alter and renew as they may think proper; and shall have and exercise all the rights, privileges and immunities necessary for the purposes of the corporation hereby constituted and as herein expressed.

Seal.

SECTION 4. The government of the said association and the management and disposition of its affairs and property, shall be vested in the said board of trustees.

Government.

SECTION 5. The corporation shall have power and authority to make by-laws conformable to this charter, and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or of this commonwealth.

By-laws.

SECTION 6. That the legislature hereby reserves the right to alter, revoke or annul the charter of the said "The Sons of Temperance hall association," of the borough of Schuylkill Haven, whenever, in their opinion, it may be injurious to the citizens of this commonwealth; in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators thereof.

Reservation.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.