

No. 627.

AN ACT

To incorporate the German Library Association of the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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

Corporators. John G. Backofen, Edward Fendrich, Frederick S. Schench, Th. Umbstaetler, Reinhold Siedle, Charles Barchfield, J. G. Backofen Fred. Schenck, M. Doerflinger, Wm. Wierneburg, Alexander Holstein, and their associates members of the German Library association, in the city of Pittsburgh, and all who may hereafter become members, are hereby erected into a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of the "German Library association of the city of Pittsburgh,"

Style. for the object of diffusing useful knowledge; encouraging general information, and promoting social improvement.

Privileges. **SECTION 2.** That the said corporation, by the same name, style and title, shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and elsewhere, and shall be able and capable in law and equity to take, purchase, hold and receive to them and their successors, for the use of said society, lands, tenements, choses in action, goods and chattels of whatever kind, nature or quality, real, personal or mixed, which now are or hereafter may become the property of said corporation, or be held for their use, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, conveyance, devise, bequest or otherwise from any person whomsoever capable of making the same, and the same to grant, bargain, sell, mortgage, improve or dispose of for the use and benefit of the said society, and in general to do all things which may be necessary for the well being and due management of said corporation.

Debts of the corporation. **SECTION 3.** That all bona fide engagements entered into, and liabilities contracted heretofore by individuals for the proper debts of the said association, or for money borrowed for its use and benefit, and by its authority, shall immediately after the passage of this act be held and deemed the debts of the body politic and corporate hereby created, which shall be liable therefor in its corporate property and capacity, and all monies now due and owing to the said institute shall be taken and deemed to be monies due and owing to the said corporation, and all property, real or personal, now owned by said institute shall be held and owned by the said corporation: *Provided,* That the yearly income or value of said estate shall not exceed five thousand dollars: *And further provided,* That on the refusal or neglect of said association to pay the debts contracted by its members in their individual capacity, the said individuals shall be held liable for the same.

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Meetings. **SECTION 4.** That the members of said institute shall on or before the first day of July, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, upon ten days' public notice being given, meet in their hall and organize their institute under this act of

incorporation, and shall have full power to enact and enforce such by-laws and ordinances as they shall think proper for their government, and for the regulation and transaction of the business of said institute, and to make, use and have a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at their pleasure, and shall have power to select such officers and at such times as they may deem proper: *Provided*, That the by-laws, and ordinances and all the acts of said institute shall not be contrary to this charter, nor to the constitution and laws of the United States or of this Commonwealth.

By-laws.

SECTION 5. That no enumeration of powers, privileges and duties herein contained shall be so construed as to exclude others not enumerated, which are necessary to the proper fulfilment of the designs and purposes of this act, and not inconsistent with its express provisions and limitations.

Enumeration of
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exclude others.

SECTION 6. That the Legislature hereby reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act, in such a manner however as to do no injustice to the corporators.

Reservation.

E. B. CHASE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 628.

AN ACT

To annul the marriage contract between John Hunter Graham and Jane De Tracey Graham his wife.

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 marriage contract entered into between John Hunter Graham and Jane De Tracey Graham, of Dauphin county, his wife, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from said contract, and from the duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully and effectually as if they had never been joined in marriage.

E. B. CHASE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.