

made within one year after the final dividend shall have been made of the assets of such estate, or within such further time as the orphans' court of the county wherein the proceedings have been had shall grant.

Repealer.

**61. SEC. 2.** That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same hereby are, to the extent of such inconsistency, repealed.

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### An act to incorporate boat clubs and other associations for the promotion of athletic exercises. (a)

P. L. 1876, p. 269.

Approved April 24, 1876.

Election of trustees and officers.

**1.** That every association of persons, not exceeding five hundred in number, associated for the encouragement and practice of boating, yachting, ball-playing, or other moral and healthful physical exercise, be and they hereby are authorized, at any regular meeting of such association, by a majority of votes to elect by ballot, or otherwise, according to the constitution or by-laws of such association, to appoint not less than three nor more than nine trustees, and one or as many officers of such association as shall be deemed necessary; which said association and such other persons as may be associated with them are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate in law, by whatever name they shall assume, and by such name shall have succession and continuance, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended, in all courts and places whatever, and may have and use a common seal, and alter and renew the same at pleasure, and by their name as aforesaid, and under their common seal, may make and enter into, execute and enforce any contracts or agreements relating to, touching or concerning the objects of said corporation.

Corporate powers conferred.

Certificate of corporate name to be filed.

**2.** That said trustees of such association, elected or appointed as aforesaid, shall immediately certify such corporate name, under their hands, and file such certificate in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county in which such association shall have holden the said meeting, whose duty it shall be to record the same, and for which he shall be entitled to receive twenty-five cents. [See Sec. 13, *post.*]

Estate and property vested in trustees as a corporation.

**3.** That the estate and property, of what kind soever the same may be, of such association, shall be vested in the trustees thereof as a corporation, and by their corporate name the trustees of such association shall be able

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(a) See *Athletic Association v. New Brunswick*, 26 Vr. 279.

to purchase, receive, take, hold and convey, for the use and benefit of such corporation, and for the purpose of effecting the objects of its incorporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and any sum or sums of money, rights, securities, goods and chattels, by gift, alienation, devise, bequest, or otherwise, of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate; *provided*, that no such incorporation shall at any time hold real property the net income of which shall exceed five thousand dollars a year.

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4. That incorporations under this act shall be authorized to make, adopt and use, and from time to time to alter, amend or change such general form of a constitution, and such by-laws for their government as to them shall seem right and proper; *provided*, that nothing in said constitution or by-laws be repugnant to the constitution or laws of the United States or of this state.

May make by-laws, &c.

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5. That the trustees and officers of any such incorporation shall be elected or appointed in such manner, at such times, and in such places as the said corporation shall by their constitution or by-laws provide; the trustees shall appoint a treasurer, who shall have the custody of the funds of the said corporation, and shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, in such sum and with such sureties as the trustees may determine.

Mode of appointing officers, &c.

6. [This section amended by Sec. 27, *post.*]

7. That incorporations under this act may establish and regulate admission fees, annual dues, assessments and other charges against members, and the same shall be collectible by the trustees of such incorporations, in the same manner as other debts.

Admission fees, &c.

8. That any association of persons heretofore incorporated under any special act of the legislature are hereby authorized to organize under this act in the manner provided in the first section; and upon filing a certificate of the corporate name of such association, as required by the second section, all the right, title and interest of any association heretofore incorporated, in any estate, real or personal, shall be vested in the said body corporate and politic so created, and the original incorporation of such association shall be null and void.

Associations incorporated by special act of legislature may organize under this act.

9. That any association of persons heretofore organized, but not incorporated, for the general purposes and the general manner prescribed by this act, shall be deemed and held to be incorporated under this act, to all intents and purposes, in law and in fact, upon the trustees filing a certificate of the corporate name of such association, as required by the second section; and all the right, title and interest of any such association in any property, privileges or franchises shall be vested in the said body corporate and politic so created; and the trustees, or other officers heretofore elected or appointed, shall hold their offices for the terms for which they were elected, respectively, and until others are elected in their place.

Unincorporated organizations may file certificate and be incorporated.

10. That the legislature may at any time alter, modify or repeal this act, and may also annul or repeal the charter of any association incorporated under and by virtue of the provisions of this act; and the same shall take effect immediately.

Legislature may modify or repeal.

Supplement.

Approved February 2, 1886.

P. L. 1886, p. 14.

11. SEC. 1. That any association already incorporated or hereafter to be incorporated under the act to which this act is a supplement, may, in the manner provided for in their constitution or by-laws, increase the number of their members to any number not exceeding one thousand, anything in the act to which this act is a supplement to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Associations may increase number of members to one thousand.

Supplement.

Approved March 1, 1888.

P. L. 1888, p. 120.

12. SEC. 1. That any association of persons formed under the act to which this is a supplement, or hereafter to be formed, may issue stock for the purpose of purchasing property or for the purpose of clearing off the

Associations may issue stock for purchase of property, &c.

indebtedness on property already purchased, and may designate the persons who shall take such stock as property members of such association, and may confer upon such property members, by their constitution or by-laws, special or exclusive rights in the election of the officers and trustees of such association. [See Sec. 14, *post.*]

Must state in certificate amount of stock intended to be issued.

**13. SEC. 2.** That whenever any association as aforesaid shall intend to issue stock pursuant to this act, it shall be necessary to state in the certificate mentioned in the second section of the act to which this is a supplement, or in case the same is already filed and recorded, then an additional certificate to be filed and recorded in the same manner as the original one, the total amount of stock intended to be issued, the number of shares into which the same is divided and the par value of each share. [See Sec. 15, *post.*]

#### Supplement.

P. L. 1888, p. 374.

Associations empowered to issue stock.

Approved April 2, 1888.

**14. SEC. 1.** That any association formed under the act to which this is a supplement, or may hereafter be formed under said act, shall have power to issue stock for the purpose of purchasing property, or for the purpose of paying off the indebtedness on property already purchased, and may designate the persons who shall take such stock as property members of such association, and may confer upon such property members, by their constitution or by-laws, special or exclusive rights in the election of officers and trustees of such association.

Amount of stock must be stated in certificate.

**15. SEC. 2.** That whenever any association as aforesaid shall intend to issue stock pursuant to this act, it shall be necessary to state in the certificate to be filed and recorded in accordance with the provisions of the second section of the act of which this is a supplement, or in case the certificate is already filed, then an additional certificate to be filed and recorded in the same manner as the original, the total amount of stock intended to be issued, the number of shares into which the same is divided and the par value of each share.

#### Supplement.

P. L. 1889, p. 44.

Consolidation, how effected.

**16. SEC. 1.** [This section amended by Sec. 22, *post.*]  
**17. SEC. 2.** That such consolidation may be effected by a vote of the majority of the members of each of the clubs or associations intending to consolidate, at any regular meeting thereof, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, according to the constitution and by-laws of such association or club; and such consolidation may also be effected by the assent thereto, in writing, of three-quarters of the members of each of such clubs or associations so intending to consolidate.

Approved March 7, 1889.

Notice of meeting.

May adopt constitution and by-laws, &c.

**18. SEC. 3.** That upon such vote being had, or such written assent obtained, said clubs or associations so intending to consolidate may meet at any time upon three days' notice mailed to each member thereof; and at such meeting may adopt a constitution and by-laws, and elect officers to govern such consolidated body; such adoption and election to be by a majority vote of those present at such meeting; it shall and may be lawful for such meeting, by a majority vote, to adopt a name for such consolidated body, formed from a part or parts of the former names of the associations so consolidating.

Trustees to make certificate, and what to set forth.

**19. SEC. 4.** That within ten days after the adoption of the constitution and by-laws and the election of officers, as provided in the next preceding section, a majority of the board of trustees of each of the clubs or associations so consolidating shall make a certificate, under their hands and seals, of the following facts: the names of the clubs or associations consolidating, whether the same was by vote or assent in writing; the time of the meeting at which a constitution and by-laws were adopted, and officers elected; and the names of the trustees so elected; and the name adopted for such consolidated body; which certificate, when so made, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county wherein such

Certificate to be filed.

club or association shall be located, whose duty it shall be to record the same.

**20. SEC. 5.** That upon the making and filing of said certificate, such clubs or associations shall be and become a body corporate, under the act to which this is a supplement, with all the rights and privileges therein contained; and from and after the making and filing of such certificate, all property, real and personal, of any kind, belonging to either of said clubs or associations, shall be and become the property of such consolidated body, and, without any deed or other transfer, shall vest in the board of trustees thereof, for the uses and purposes of such corporation, as provided in the act to which this is a supplement.

Rights and privileges of consolidated association.

**21. SEC. 6.** That from and after the filing of the certificate of such consolidation, each and every member of the clubs or associations so consolidating shall be and become a member of the new association, subject to the constitution and by-laws thereof.

Membership.

#### Amendatory act.

Approved April 4, 1889. P. L. 1889, p. 167.

**22. SEC. 1.** That section one of the act to which this is a supplement [see Sec. 16, *ante*] be amended so that the same shall read as follows:

[That it shall and may be lawful for any club or association organized or existing under the act to which this is a supplement, or any incorporated body of this state, whose object of incorporation is the building, purchasing and sailing of yachts, the encouragement of yacht-building, and the cultivation and advancement of naval architecture, construction and service, or either of them, to consolidate with any other club or association existing under the act to which this act is a supplement.]

Clubs authorized to consolidate.

#### Supplement.

Approved April 18, 1889. P. L. 1889, p. 298.

**23. SEC. 1.** That the board of directors or trustees, at any regular meeting, or at a special meeting to be called for that purpose, may change the name heretofore adopted by any such association or corporation, or correct any mistake which may have been made in the name thereof as stated in the certificate heretofore filed; and for the purpose of making such change in the name, or correcting any mistake made therein, the members of said board, or a majority of them, shall make and sign a certificate, stating the new name adopted by them, and correcting the error made in the name before adopted, where such mistake has been made; which certificate shall be duly attested by the secretary, and the execution thereof duly proven, and shall then be filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the county where the original certificate was filed and recorded.

Directors or trustees may change name or correct mistake.

**24. SEC. 2.** That upon the filing and recording of such certificate, such association or corporation shall be known and designated, and sue and be sued, and have corporate rights and powers as given by the act to which this is a supplement, or any supplement thereto, by the name so adopted, changed or corrected; *provided, however,* nothing in this act contained shall invalidate or affect any act done by such association or corporation by the name before used; and all corporate acts of any such association or corporation otherwise lawful are hereby validated and confirmed, notwithstanding any error or mistake in the name used by said corporation or association in its business or transactions before such change.

Corporate rights and powers.

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#### Supplement.

Approved May 9, 1889. P. L. 1889, p. 416.

**25. SEC. 1.** That any association incorporated or to be incorporated hereafter under the act to which this act is a supplement, may, for the purpose of purchasing real estate and erecting the necessary buildings, issue shares, in sums of not less than five dollars, redeemable in twenty

Associations may issue shares for building purposes.

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years, or sooner, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum; said shares may be secured by mortgage or otherwise, at the option of the corporation.

Control of funds  
vested in board  
of trustees.

**26. SEC. 2.** That the control and disposal of the funds, property and estate of said corporation shall be vested in the board of trustees mentioned in the act to which this act is a supplement; no member of said board shall receive compensation for his services, and no person shall be entitled to a vote in said corporation unless duly elected a member thereof.

**27. SEC. 3.** That section six of the act to which this act is a supplement be amended so as to read as follows:

Object of incor-  
porations.

[That the sole and exclusive object of incorporations under this act shall be the mental and physical improvement of their members by the maintenance of boat-houses, club, gymnasium, boats and yachts, and by such other means as may be appropriate to the objects for which they are respectively organized; *provided*, that gambling and the sale of intoxicating liquors in any such boat-house, club-room or gymnasium of any such association are hereby absolutely prohibited and forbidden, and that any violation of this provision by any such association, or any permission or allowance of such violation to any of its members, shall be taken or deemed to work a forfeiture of the charter and privileges of incorporation of the association so violating, or permitting or allowing the violating of this provision; *and provided further*, that any member or members of any such association who shall be regularly expelled therefrom, on account of his or their violation of the foregoing provision or any other provision of this act or of the constitution or by-laws of any such association, shall be held to have forfeited all right, title and interest in and to the privileges, property and franchises of such association, but shall be held liable for the payment of all arrearages of any dues, fees, assessments or charges which shall have been previously laid or held against him or them, in accordance with the constitution or by-laws of such association.]

Proviso.

Proviso.

Repealer.

**28. SEC. 4.** That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

**An act authorizing the consolidation of corporations organized as yacht clubs and athletic clubs.**

P. L. 1889, p. 279.

Approved April 17, 1889.

Corporations  
authorized to  
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**29. SEC. 1.** That it shall be lawful for any corporation or corporations of this state, incorporated under general or special laws, whose object is the building, purchasing and sailing of yachts, the encouragement of yacht-building and the cultivation and advancement of naval architecture, construction and science, or either of said objects, and any corporation or corporations of this state whose objects are the mental and physical improvement of their members by the maintenance of boat-houses, clubs, gymnasiums, boats and yachts, or any of said objects, or by such other means as may be appropriate to the objects for which they are respectively organized, to consolidate and merge their corporate rights, franchises, powers and privileges into a single corporation, so that by virtue of this act such corporations shall be consolidated and merged, and so that all the property, rights, privileges and franchises by law vested in or enjoyed by such corporations so merged shall be transferred to and vested in the new corporation into which said corporations are consolidated and merged under this act.

**30. SEC. 2.** That such consolidation and merger shall be made under the following conditions, to wit:

Consolidation,  
how effected.

To enter into  
agreement, &c.,  
for consolidation.

I. That the directors, trustees or managers of each corporation so authorized to consolidate as aforesaid, shall enter into a written agreement, under the corporate seal of each corporation, for the consolidation of said corporations and of such merger, prescribing the terms and conditions thereof, the name of the new corporation, and all such other provisions as they shall deem necessary or proper to effect the said consolidation and merger;

II. In making the terms of such consolidation, they may designate a portion of the premises owned by either corporation, to be used for athletic purposes, or certain other purposes for which the same may be lawfully used; and also designate other portions of their premises to be used for yacht club and boating purposes, or for such other uses as they deem proper connected therewith; and they may further prescribe any restrictions and grant such privileges as to the use of either, that would lawfully exist if such a consolidation had not been made, under the acts under which such clubs had existed prior to such consolidation, and in the absence of such provision in said agreement, the premises theretofore used for yachting or boating purposes by either of the corporations thus consolidated may be used in the same way and manner, and subject to the same regulations, and with the same rights and privileges as the same were or might have been theretofore used by either of the corporations thus merged and consolidated;

To designate premises to be used for certain purposes.

III. Such agreement shall be submitted to the respective clubs or corporations at meetings to be called separately by each corporation; and of the time, place and object of such meetings notice shall be given as far as practicable, by mailing to each member at his place of residence last known to the secretary, at least one week prior to the time of such meeting, which notice in effect shall state that the object of the meeting is to consider the agreement of consolidation agreed to by the directors, trustees or managers of the clubs desiring consolidation, naming the clubs; at the said meetings of each of said clubs desiring consolidation, the said agreement shall be considered, and if adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at each separate meeting as aforesaid, then that fact shall be certified by the secretary of each corporation, and said certificates, together with the agreement of consolidation, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county designated for that purpose in the agreement of consolidation, whereupon the said agreement shall be deemed and taken to be the act of consolidation and merger of said corporations;

Agreement to be submitted to each corporation.

Agreement, how adopted.

Certificates to be filed.

IV. Upon the filing of said certificates and agreement in the office of the county clerk as aforesaid, the said merger and consolidation shall be deemed to have taken place, and the said corporations shall be one corporation under the new name adopted by them, possessing all the rights, powers, privileges and franchises theretofore vested in or enjoyed by each of said corporations, and all the property, real, personal and mixed, and debts due and rights of action of each of said corporations shall be deemed and taken to be transferred to and vested in the new corporation without further act or deed; and all property, real and personal, all rights of way and all other interests shall be as effectually the property of such new corporation as they were of the former corporations, parties to said agreement; *provided*, that all rights of creditors and all liens upon the property of either of said corporations shall continue unimpaired, and the respective corporations shall be deemed to be in existence to preserve the same, and all debts, duties and liabilities of either of such corporations shall thenceforth attach to the new corporation and may be enforced against it with the same effect and by the same process as if the said debts, duties and liabilities had been contracted by such consolidated corporation; *and provided further*, that a certified copy of said certificates and agreement so to be filed in the office of the county clerk as aforesaid, shall be evidence of the lawful holding and action of such meetings and of the consolidation of said corporations and of the merger into said new corporation.

General powers.

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31. SEC. 3. That whenever any such consolidation and merger shall have taken place under and by virtue of this act between any two or more corporations so authorized as aforesaid, such new consolidated corporation shall have the power and authority to issue scrip or bonds, either registered or coupon, and to create a mortgage or mortgages on a portion or all of its property, real or personal, and also its rights, privileges and franchises, to trustees, to secure the payment of the bonds so issued, and to give and exchange the said bonds for the debts and obligations of the

Consolidated corporation authorized to issue scrip or bonds.

Scrip and bonds may be issued for property purchased.

respective corporations so consolidated and merged; such scrip and bonds may also be issued for the purpose of purchasing or acquiring property, real and personal, or improving any property owned by such consolidated clubs, for the use of the new corporation; and said bonds and scrip so issued may be sold at par or given in lieu, exchange or satisfaction of all bonds or mortgages or other debts, claims or obligations against the corporations thus consolidated and merged, upon such terms as may be agreed upon by and between the holders of such claims and the new corporation.

Election of directors.

**32. SEC. 4.** That the consolidated corporation shall be governed by a board of eleven directors, who shall be elected annually and hold office for one year, and until their successors shall have been chosen; that the first meeting for the election of directors of the consolidated corporation shall be held at a time and place to be designated in the agreement of consolidation; and the directors elected at such first meeting shall hold their office until the time designated for the regular annual election, which shall be designated in the articles of agreement.

Powers of board of directors.

**33. SEC. 5.** That the board of directors of the consolidated club may appoint such officers and create such departments as they may deem proper, and do all other acts and things necessary or proper for the good of the consolidated corporation, with the right at any time for the club, at a meeting called for that purpose, to change such regulations with reference to the officers, departments or management of the club, provided such change is made by the club at a special meeting called for that purpose by the secretary, upon the written request of one-fifth of the members of the consolidated corporation; at least two weeks' notice of such meeting shall be given to each member of the consolidated corporation, by mailing, as far as practicable, the same to him at his place of residence last known to the secretary.

May adopt constitution and by-laws.

**34. SEC. 6.** That the directors of the consolidated corporation may adopt a constitution and by-laws, which shall be ratified as presented to or amended by the club at a regular meeting, or special meeting called for that purpose.

Act, how construed.

**35. SEC. 7.** That this act shall be favorably construed in all courts and places for the purposes therein intended, and no misnomer of the old corporations or of the new corporation in any deed, grant, gift, devise, bequest or other instrument, contract or conveyance shall defeat or vitiate the same if the corporation be sufficiently described to show the intent of the parties.

Members and quorum.

**36. SEC. 8.** That for all purposes under this act the members of the corporations or clubs thus consolidated shall be members of the new consolidated corporation or club; and that twenty-five members shall be a quorum of the new consolidated corporation or club for the purposes under this act, and for all other purposes until otherwise provided for in the constitution or by-laws of the consolidated corporation or club.

May institute suits for fines, dues, &c.

**37. SEC. 9.** That such consolidated corporation shall have power by its corporate name to institute suits for the recovery of fines, dues, debts and arrearages due to either of the corporations consolidated, or that may at any time become due to the consolidated corporation; and may in its constitution provide for the admission, suspension or expulsion of members of such new consolidated corporation or club.

Repealer.

**38. SEC. 10.** That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this act shall take effect immediately.

**An act to incorporate state leagues, divisions, clubs, or associations of bicycle or athletic clubs and associations.**

P. L. 1890, p. 444.

Approved June 30, 1890.

Associations, how incorporated.

**39. SEC. 1.** That every association of persons of not less than one hundred in number, who may belong to any state league, division, club or association, whose object it is to engage in and promote the general interest of cycling and athletic sports, may, pursuant to the constitution and

by-laws of such state league, division, club or association, elect, by ballot, or in the manner provided for in its constitution and by-laws, such number of representatives or trustees as may, by such constitution and by-laws, be provided for, who shall have power and authority to select and assume a corporate name for such state league, division, club or association, and to file a certificate of incorporation in the manner hereinafter provided for, and thereupon the trustees or representatives so chosen as aforesaid, shall immediately certify such corporate name, if any assumed by them, under their hands, and file such certificate in the office of the secretary of state, who shall be entitled to receive the sum of one dollar for the filing thereof, and thereupon such state league, division, club or association shall be, and hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate in law, by whatever name shall be so assumed, and by such name shall have succession and continuance, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places whatever, and may have and use a common seal, alter and renew the same, and under their common seal may make and enter into, execute and enforce any contracts or agreements relating to, touching or concerning the objects of said corporation.

**40. SEC. 2.** That the estate and property of whatsoever kind the same may be, of such state league, division, club or association shall be vested in the trustees or representatives thereof as a corporation, whether such trustees or representatives shall continue to be of the number named in the certificate of incorporation or increased in number by subsequent elections, and by their corporate name the trustees or representatives of such state league, division, club or association shall be able to purchase, receive, take, hold and convey, for the use and benefit of such corporation, and for the purpose of effecting the objects of its incorporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments and any sum or sums of money, rights, securities, goods and chattels, by gift, alienation, devise, bequest or otherwise, of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate.

Property vested in trustees or representatives.

**41. SEC. 3.** That incorporations under this act shall be authorized to make, adopt and use and from time to time alter, amend or change such general form of a constitution and such by-laws for their government as to them shall seem proper and right.

Constitution and by-laws authorized.

**42. SEC. 4.** That the trustees, representatives and officers of any such incorporation shall be elected or appointed in such manner, at such times, and in such places as the said corporation shall by their constitution and by-laws provide; the trustees or representatives shall appoint a treasurer, who shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, in such sum and with such sureties as the trustees or representatives may determine.

Election of trustees, &c.

Treasurer.

**43. SEC. 5.** That the objects of incorporations under this act shall be to engage in, promote and encourage the general interests of cycling and athletic sports, and to ascertain, defend and protect the rights of its members.

Objects.

**An act relating to incorporate schuetzen associations of this state.**

Approved March 12, 1877.

P. L. 1877, p. 39.

**44. SEC. 1.** That all schuetzen associations in this state, incorporated under any general or special law of this state, and notwithstanding the provisions of any special act of incorporation, shall have power to divide their capital stock into shares of fifty dollars (\$50) each, and to call in any outstanding shares and issue such new shares of fifty dollars (\$50) each in lieu thereof. [See Sec. 49, *post.*]

Capital stock may be divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

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**45. SEC. 2.** That any stockholder belonging to any organized schuetzen corps shall be entitled to vote in said association at any election for officers or directors.

Who may vote.  
P. L. 1877, p. 172.

**46. SEC. 3.** That any member of such schuetzen association shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him; *provided, however,*

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that no member shall be entitled to more than ten votes, no matter how many shares of stock he may hold.

Number to constitute a quorum.

**47. SEC. 4.** That in any such schuetzen association thirty members shall constitute a quorum to transact business, and any director shall be declared elected who shall receive a majority of the votes given at any election for directors.

One-half of the directors to be residents of the state.

**48. SEC. 5.** That at least one-half of the board of directors of any such schuetzen association shall be residents of the state of New Jersey, but the remaining directors need not be residents of such state, and need not belong to any particular schuetzen corps, notwithstanding any provisions in any special act or articles of association of such schuetzen association.

## An act relative to incorporated schuetzen associations.

P. L. 1879, p. 259.

Approved March 14, 1879.

Capital stock may be divided into shares of ten dollars each.

**49. SEC. 1.** That the capital stock of any schuetzen association incorporated under the laws of the state of New Jersey may, by a vote of the board of directors or trustees of such association, be divided into shares of ten dollars each for all stock that may hereafter be issued by any such association; and any shareholder of any such association owning shares to an amount of fifty dollars, or more, may be elected a director thereof, and that each shareholder of stock issued under this act shall be entitled to one vote at any election for officers or directors of said association, and each holder of a share or shares of fifty dollars each heretofore issued under existing laws, shall be entitled to one vote for each ten dollars represented by the shares so held by him.

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Repealer.

**50. SEC. 2.** That all general, public, private, local or special laws, inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect immediately.

## An act concerning shooting societies.

P. L. 1883, p. 166.

Approved March 23, 1883.

Purchase of lands validated.

**51. SEC. 1.** That any shooting society heretofore incorporated by any general or special law of the state of New Jersey, under which they were entitled to hold real estate in any township in this state, designated in the preamble or any section of the act incorporating them, who may have sold and conveyed such real estate, and from the proceeds thereof purchased lands or real estate in any adjoining township not specially directed in the charter of said society, such purchase shall be taken as valid and effectual in law, and such society shall have vested in it as complete title to the lands so purchased as if such transfer was specially conferred by the act incorporating such society.

Acts of officers validated.

**52. SEC. 2.** That the acts of the officers of any such society in making such transfer of any real estate mentioned in their original act of incorporation, and in the purchase of other real estate, and in the issue of capital stock for such purpose, by and with the direction and consent of the members of said society, shall be deemed and taken as valid and effectual in law as if the acts done by them had been conferred upon them by their original act of incorporation; *provided, however,* such total capital stock so issued by such society does not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars.

Proviso.