

Newburyport
Mechanick Af-
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him, be, and they hereby are incorporated, and made a body politick by the name of The Newburyport Mechanick Association, and by that name shall be known in law; shall be capable of suing, and be sued; and shall have power to have and keep a common seal; to make bye laws for the election of their officers, and members, the collection of assessments, the regulation of their meetings, and appropriation of their funds for charitable purposes; but shall have power to make bye laws for no other purpose whatever.

Amount of in-
come.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall have power, and be capable in law, to purchase, hold, and possess, in fee simple, or otherwise, personal or real estate: *Provided*, That such personal estate shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, and such real estate ten thousand dollars, in value.

Income, how
appropriated.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the annual income of said corporation shall be appropriated and employed, exclusively, for the purpose of relieving the distressed of unfortunate mechanicks and their families; to promote inventions and improvements in the mechanick art, by granting premiums for such inventions and improvements; and to assist young mechanicks with loans of money.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the said corporation shall be, and continue, for and during the term of ten years, unless the legislature shall within that time, see fit to dissolve the same.

[This Act passed March 5, 1810.]

CHAP. XCVII.

An Act to incorporate the First Universalist Christian Society in Freeport.

Freeport Uni-
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ty incorporated

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That Joseph Lufkin, Aaron Lufkin, Samuel Lufkin, Jacob White, Andrew Dennison, Gideon Lane, Solomon Dennison, Benjamin Sawyer, Seth Carver, Afa

Afa Sprague, Joshua Webb, William Jordan, Thomas R. White, David Hooper, Lewis Warner, Isaac Story Hooper, William Byram, Jedidiah Soule, Jun. Daniel York, Samuel Furbush, Joseph Knight, Jedidiah Soule, Gideon Dennison, Daniel Waite, James Soule, David Fogg, Benjamin Fogg, Percy Townsend, Benjamin Townsend, Thomas Rose, Joseph Lufkin, jun. Joseph Davis, Edmund Mounford, Robert Townsend, Joseph Dennison, Thomas Hoyt, Franklin Bridge, Jeremiah Rose, Nehemiah Hooper, Richard Grant, and John Griffin, with their families and estates, together with such others as may hereafter associate with them, or their successors, be, and they hereby are incorporated into a Religious Society, by the name of The First Universalist Christian Society in Freeport, with all the powers, privileges, and immunities to which other parishes or religious societies, are entitled by the constitution and laws of this commonwealth, for religious purposes only.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That any person belonging to the said town of Freeport, or in the adjacent towns, who may be desirous of joining in religious worship with, and becoming a member of the aforesaid society, and give in his or her name to the town clerk of said Freeport, or the clerk of the town to which he or she belongs, with a certificate, signed by the minister or clerk of said society, that he or she has actually become a member of, and united with the said Universalist Society in Religious Worship, fourteen days at least previous to the town meeting, to be holden in said town of Freeport, in the months of March or April annually, shall, from and after giving such certificate, with his or her polls and estate, be considered as part of said society: *Provided however*, That such persons shall be holden to pay their proportion of all money assessed in the town to which they belonged previous to that time.

Other persons
may be admitted.

Provide,

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That if any member of said Universalist Society shall, at any time within one year from the passing of this act, see cause to leave the same, and unite in religious worship with any other religious society in the towns from whence they came, and lodge a certificate of such, his or her intention, with the minister or clerk of said Universalist Society, and also with the clerk of the town to which they belong,

Persons desirous of leaving
the society—

fourteen days at least, before the town meeting in the months of March or April annually, and shall pay his or her proportion of all money assessed in said society previous thereto, such person shall, from and after giving such certificate, with his or her polls and estates, be considered as belonging to the town or parish in which he or she may reside, in the same manner as if he or she had never belonged to the said Universalist Society.

First meeting.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That any justice of the peace in the county of Cumberland be, and hereby is authorized to issue his warrant, directed to some suitable person, who is a member of said Universalist Society, requiring him to warn and notify the members thereof to meet at such time and place in said town of Freeport, as shall be directed in said warrant, to choose such officers as parishes and religious societies in this commonwealth are by law authorized to choose, in the months of March or April annually.

[This act passed *March 5, 1810.*]

CHAP. XCVIII.

An Act to incorporate Stephen Giddings and others, into a Society by the name of The United Mechanicks and Manufacturers of Bangor.

SEC. I. **BE** *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same*, That Stephen Giddings, and all those who have associated, or may hereafter associate with him, be, and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politick, by the name of The United Mechanicks and Manufacturers of Bangor, and by that name shall be known in law, and shall be capable of suing and being sued, and shall have power to have and keep a common seal; to make bye laws for the election of their members and officers, the collection of assessments, the regulation of their meetings, and the appropriation of their funds for charitable uses, but shall not have power to make bye laws or regulations for any other purposes whatever.

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