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CHAPTER CCXLVII.

AN ACT to incorporate "The Albemarle Fire Engine Com₅ pany," in the town of Edenton.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the present and future officers and members of "The Albemarle Fire Engine Company," and their successors, in the town of Edenton, be, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of "The Albemarle Fire Engine Company," and by such name, shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of this State; they shall have power to appoint their own officers, and do and perform all such acts and things necessary and useful to carry into effect the true intent and design of said company, such as are usually exercised by similar bodies corporate in this State; to make their own by-laws and regulations, and enforce the same under such penalties as they shall deem it expedient to impose, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this State; and all such persons as have enrolled or may hereafter enrol themselves in said company, shall be exempt from military duty, except in cases of insurrection or invasion. · · · · · · · · ·

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the commissioners of the town of Edenton shall have such power and authority over the said company as will tend to the best regulation thereof, and to the promotion of the good ends for which the said company is instituted.

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Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the commanding officers of this company to make due return of the number of officers and privates to the commanding officers of the regiment to which they belong, under the same regulations and penalties as are now required and imposed on officers of Malitia Companies.

See. 4. Be it further caucted, That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

[Ratified 28th January, 1851.]

CHAPTER COXLVIII.

AN ACT for the benefit of Thomas Griggs, administrator of Samuel B. Dozier, late Sheriff of Currituck county, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That Thomas Griggs, the administrator of Samuel B. Dozier, late sheriff of Currituck county, be, and he is hereby authorized to collect the arrears of taxes due him for the years of 1847-'48 and '49, which collections shall be made under the same rules, regulations and restrictions as the collection of taxes are by the public laws of this State: Provided, that the authority hereby given shall not extend to persons who have removed from the county, nor to executors or administrators, nor to any who will voluntarily swear before any justice of the peace of said county that he, or she verily believes the arrears claimed from him or her have been paid.