

CHAPTER CXLI.

AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Atlantic Fire Company, No. 1, in the town of Newbern, passed at the session of 1846-'7.

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 members of the aforesaid fire company, while they continue to act as such, shall be exempt from serving as jurors, either in the county or superior courts.

Sec. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That all laws and clauses of laws, contrary or repugnant to the meaning of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its ratification.

[Ratified 27th January, 1849.]

CHAPTER CXLII.

AN ACT to incorporate "The Greensborough Fire Company" in the town of Greensboro'.

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 John Sloan, James M. Garrett, Francis Garrett, John Denny, Michael Sherwood, David F. Caldwell, William A. Caldwell, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are hereby authorised to form and enrol themselves into a fire engine company, to be styled "The Greensboro' Fire Company;" and by that name may sue and be sued, may plead and be impleaded, have a common seal, and exercise all other powers incident to corporate

bodies: *Provided*, the number of members shall at no time exceed four.

Sec. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the members of said fire company, while they continue to act as firemen in such company, shall be exempt from the performance of military duty, except in the case of insurrection or invasion, and from serving on juries in the county or Superior courts.

Sec. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of said fire company to turn out and exercise their engine at least four times per year, unless prevented by unavoidable circumstances, under a penalty of fifty dollars, to be recovered against said company, by any person who may sue for the same, in an action of debt, before any tribunal having jurisdiction of such suit.

Sec. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That a majority of the members of said fire company shall have power and authority to adopt such constitution, and pass such by-laws, rules and regulations for their government, as to them may seem best, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and that all fines and penalties which may be collected by said company for any infringement of its laws, shall enure to the use of said company.

Sec. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the books of said fire company shall be evidence in law, of their constitution, laws, ordinances, regulations and proceedings.

Sec. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That all laws and clauses of laws, which may come within the meaning and purview of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed; and this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

[Ratified the 29th day of January, 1849.]