

CHAPTER 179.

An act to incorporate the Dread Not Hook and Ladder Company, number one, of Kinston, North Carolina.*The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

- Corporators.** SECTION 1. That S. O. Mason, Jno. Pollard, Henry York, Wm. M. Lewis, and such other persons as are now or may hereafter become members, not to exceed sixty in number, be and they are hereby created and declared to be a body politic and
- Corporate name.** corporate by the name and style of "The Dread Not Hook and Ladder Company, number one, of Kinston, North Carolina,"
- Corporate powers.** and by that name shall sue and sued, plead and be impleaded in any and all courts of law, and shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and may purchase, hold and transfer real and personal estate as may be necessary and convenient for the purposes of this association, and for their government may make all necessary by-laws and rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state or of the United States, and shall have and enjoy all other rights, privileges and franchises which belong to bodies corporate and politic.
- Officers.** SEC. 2. That the officers of such corporation shall be fixed by the by-laws of the same. They shall be elected annually and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.
- Power to impose fines and penalties.** SEC. 3. That said corporation is empowered to impose reasonable fines and penalties to secure prompt and efficient services from its members.
- Exemption of members from jury and road duty and polltax.** SEC. 4. That the members of said corporation, while they continue to perform the duties incident to such a corporation, shall be exempt from serving upon juries or from performing of road duty or the payment of town poll-tax either within or beyond the corporate limits of the town of Kinston, North Carolina.
- SEC. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.
- Ratified the 9th day of March, A. D. 1897.