CHAPTER L.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW BERNE STEAM FIRE ENGINE COMPANY, NO. 1.

Section 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 Andrew Collins, Andrew J. Pool, Thomas Powers, C. P. Loomis, Henry J. Meninger, D. W. Wardrup, Phineas Merwin, Samuel T. Jones, J. Edwin West, J. F. Robertson, James O. Whittemore, and other persons who shall be associated with them, for the object intended, and those successors duly elected and chosen according to the by-laws of the Company, shall constitute a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the Newberne Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1., for the purpose of more united and efficient action in the extinguishment of fires in the city of New Berne, and by this name and style shall have power to acquire a Steam Fire Engine, or Engines, and such real estate as may be needful for their proper care and custody, the value of which shall at no time exceed the sum of \$15,000.

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SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That said Company shall, by the name and style aforesaid, have succession, sue and Powers and privileges. be sued, plead and be impleaded, have a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure, and make all by-laws and rules necessary for the proper government of the Company and the management of its funds, not inconsistent with the laws of the State; and in all matters do and perform what is customary and proper for fulfilling the object of the association.

SEC. 3. B. it further enacted, That members in the actual service of the Company, performing duties when required, Members exshall be exempt, during the continuance of such service, ry and multip from jury and militia duty, and, after the faithful perform-duty, &c. ance of required duties in the Company, for the term of seven years, a certificate thereof shall exempt for life, the

holder from jury and militia duty, and from all taxes on the poll.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 20th day of December, A. D., 1866.

CHAPTER LI.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE "MC'LEAN FIRE ENGINE COMPANY, NO. ONE," IN THE TOWN OF FAXETTEVILLE.

Section 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 H. Robinson, Charles P. Mallett, Jesse R. Kyle, E. P. Powers, W. F. Campbell, Corporators. Charles Haigh, William Widdefield, and their associates, in the town of Fayetteville, shall be, and they are hereby, constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the "McLean Fire Engine Company, No. One," and by that name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, shall have a succession and common seal, and exercise other powers incident to corporate bodies.

> SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That a majority of the members of said Fire Company shall have power and authority to adopt a constitution and pass such by-laws, rules and regulations for their government as to them may seem best, for the better regulation of their body, 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 of their members for any infringement of their laws, shall enure to the use of said Company.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That the members of said Limit as to Fire Company shall at no time exceed one hundred and members. E twenty-five members and while they shall continue members of said Company, they shall be exempt from the pay-

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emptions.