

Supreme Court for the County where the principal place of business of the society is held.

III. No such society shall be deemed to be formed until a certificate or minute containing the particulars mentioned in the last preceding section set forth, signed by the members thereof, before a Justice of the Peace, be registered in the office of the Prothonotary or Deputy Prothonotary of the Supreme Court as aforesaid, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and which shall be open to public inspection.

IV. Notice of the formation of such society shall be published in the *Royal Gazette* newspaper of this Island, for at least three insertions, signed by at least three members of said society, and such society shall thenceforth be deemed in operation, and incorporated with the powers and authority hereinafter mentioned.

V. On the due registry of said certificate or minute, executed and attested as aforesaid, the persons named in such certificate or minute, as well as all future members of such society, shall be, and they are hereby declared a body corporate, and shall have perpetual succession and a common zeal, and the name of such society set forth in such certificate or minute as aforesaid, shall be the corporate name of such society or body corporate, and the said society shall in such name sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded in any Court of law or equity, and be for ever capable in the law to purchase, receive, possess and enjoy to them and their successors any goods and chattels whatsoever, and to act in all the concerns of the said body corporate, for the business or purposes for which it is hereby constituted as aforesaid, and also, that any such society, so formed as aforesaid, shall from time to time, and at all times hereafter, have full power and authority to make and ordain such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the good rule and government thereof, and for the management and transaction of the affairs and business of the said society, provided that such by-laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the laws of this Island or this Act.

VI. At the expiration of thirty days from the due registry of such certificate or minute as aforesaid, and from time to time thereafter, as may be determined by the by-laws of such society, the members thereof, so registered, shall hold a meeting at a time and place to be notified by at least three members of such society, for the election of officers, the enactment of by-laws and regulations, the admission of new

members and the transaction of such business as may be necessary for putting the said society in effective operation.

VII. No more than the share or quantity of grain belonging to each member in such society shall be liable to be attached or taken in execution for the debts of any member of such society; Provided always, that when such share or quantity does not exceed twenty bushels, it shall not be so liable to be attached or taken in execution as aforesaid, nor in any case shall any greater amount of the share of any one shareholder be taken in execution or attachment than the surplus amount of his share over and above twenty bushels, thus always allowing to each shareholder to retain twenty bushels in the fund.

VIII. Any quantity of grain delivered out on credit by such society, or the authorized agent or officer thereof, may be sued for in any Court for the recovery of small debts in this Island, in the same way and manner as small debts are now recovered under the laws of this Island relating to small debts, and conformable to any by-law or laws, rules or regulations of the said society, not inconsistent with this Act or the laws of this Island.

IX. It shall be lawful for the said society to acquire and hold lands and immovable or real and personal property, provided that the real estate to be held by the said society, shall at no time exceed in value the sum of one thousand pounds, and it shall be lawful for the said society to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of the said property and estate as they may see fit.

X. The Prothonotary or Deputy Prothonotary shall be entitled for registering the certificate aforesaid, to a fee of one shilling for every hundred words, and for a certificate of such registry the sum of two shillings and three-pence.

An Act for the better security of the Crown and Government of the United Kingdom within this Island.

[Passed April 24, 1868.]

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:—

I. The Act of the General Assembly of this Island passed in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter nine, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.

II. If any person whatsoever after the passing of this act shall within this Island compass, imagine, invent, devise, or intend to deprive,