

Not to affect
sheriffs in office.

allowed to the sheriffs of the several counties of this state, to wit: twenty-five per centum additional in each case for all services to be by them performed; *provided*, that this section shall only continue in force during such time as the said act entitled 'An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States,' shall remain in effect," be and the same is hereby repealed, made void and of no effect; *provided, however*, that this act shall not affect or in any way interfere with the fees of any sheriff of any county who may be in office at the time of the taking effect of this act.

Fertilizers.

1. Trade mark to be affixed to bag, barrel or parcel.
2. Penalty for violation.
3. To what not to apply.
4. When act to go into effect.

An act to prevent fraud in the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers.

P. L. 1877, p. 152.

Approved March 9, 1877.

Trade mark to be
affixed to bag,
barrel or parcel.

1. That commercial manures or fertilizers sold or kept for sale in the state of New Jersey shall have affixed to every bag, barrel or parcel thereof which may contain fifty pounds or upwards, a special printed name or trade mark, by which the same may be known or designated, with the name and place of business of the manufacturer or importer, together with a true specification of the guaranteed percentages of phosphoric acid soluble in water, total phosphoric acid, nitrogen and potash contained in the contents of the package, and also the quantity of the fertilizer contained in said package, and the date of its manufacture or importation.

Penalty for viola-
tion.

2. That any manufacturer, importer or dealer, who shall sell any such package or packages without such stamp, impress or card affixed thereto, as is provided in section one of this act, or who shall sell any such package or packages with a false or untruthful stamp, impress or card affixed thereto, shall forfeit five dollars for each and every one hundred pounds thus sold in violation of the first section of this act, the same to be sued for and recovered by and in the name of the purchaser or purchasers of said package or packages to be used for his or their own benefit.

Not to apply.

3. That the provisions of this act shall not apply to any manure sold at a price not exceeding one-half a cent per pound.

When to go into
effect.

4. That this act shall go into effect on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Fire Departments.

1. Incorporation of.
2. Certificate of name to be filed.
3. Corporations existing may reorganize.
4. May hold and convey real and personal property.
5. May make rules and by-laws.
6. Representatives chosen.
7. Election of officers.
8. Object of incorporation.
9. Investment of funds.
10. Act may be altered or repealed.
11. Incorporation of fire companies.
12. Exemption of firemen from militia and jury duty.

An act to incorporate fire departments.

P. L. 1877, p. 78.

Approved March 8, 1877.

Persons who
may incorporate
themselves into a
corporate body.

1. That in the several cities and towns of this state in which there now are or hereafter may be organized fire departments, it shall be lawful for all such persons as now are or hereafter shall be members of the board of engineers of any such fire department, together with all firemen belonging to any of the fire engine, hook and ladder, hose or supply companies, or belonging to any associations of exempt firemen of such city or town, to

incorporate themselves under and by the name of "The Fire Department," using the name of the city or town in which the same may be located, under which name such persons are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate in law, and by such name shall have succession and continuance, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended, in all courts and places whatever, and may have and use a common seal, and alter and renew the same at pleasure, and by their name as aforesaid, and under their common seal, may enter into, execute and enforce any contracts or agreements relating to, touching or concerning the object of said corporation. Fire Name.
May make contracts and agreements.

2. That the officers of such corporation elected or chosen as hereinafter provided shall immediately certify such corporate name under their hands, and file such certificate in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county in which the same may be located, whose duty it shall be to record the same, and for which he shall be entitled to receive twenty-five cents. Certificate of corporate name to be filed with county clerk.

3. That any such corporation as is provided for by the first section of this act now existing in any city or town of this state, whether the same may have been created and continued by the special act or acts of the legislature of this state or otherwise, may be re-incorporated and re-organized under this act, and shall by virtue hereof be constituted a body politic and corporate in law, having all the powers, franchises and privileges by this act conferred upon corporations formed under it, upon the representatives of such corporation or a majority of them resolving so to do; and in such case, the officers of such corporation so to be re-organized shall immediately certify the corporate name of the same and file such certificate in the manner prescribed in the second section of this act; any corporation so re-organized under this act shall succeed to and be seized of all the right, title and interest in any estate, real or personal, belonging to it under its former organization; and the officers and representatives for the time being of such corporation shall continue to serve as such for the terms for which they were respectively chosen or elected. Corporations heretofore existing may reorganize and be re-incorporated.
Right, title and interest in property to vest in re-organized corporations.

4. That the estate and property, of what kind soever the same may be, of such corporation, shall be vested in them as a corporation, and by their corporate name such corporation shall be able to purchase, receive, take, hold and convey, for the use and benefit of such corporation and for the purpose of effecting the objects of its incorporation, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, and any sum or sums of money, rights, securities, goods and chattels, by gift, alienation, devise, bequest or otherwise, of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate. May hold and convey real and personal property.

5. That incorporations under this act shall be authorized through their representatives, to make, adopt and use, and from time to time to alter, amend or change, such general form of a constitution and such by-laws, rules and regulations for their government and for the management and disposition of their funds, as to them shall seem right and proper; *provided*, that nothing in said constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations be repugnant to the constitution or laws of the United States or of this state. May make by-laws, rules and regulations.
Proviso.

6. That on or before the second Monday in December in every year, the board of engineers of the fire department shall choose one representative, the exempt firemen's association shall choose two representatives, each fire engine, hook and ladder, hose and supply company shall choose two representatives, which representatives so chosen shall have and exercise all such powers as are hereinafter committed to them. Representatives to be chosen annually.

7. That the said representatives shall choose, on the third Monday of December in every year, by ballot, out of the whole body of firemen, and such as have served the term prescribed by law to entitle them to an exemption from further fire, jury or military duty in time of peace, the officers hereinafter named, to wit: a president and vice-president, three trustees, a treasurer, secretary and collector; that said trustees shall be classed into three classes, the first class shall go out of office the first year, the second class shall go out of office the second year, and the third class shall go out of office the third year after their election, respectively; that the trustees shall manage the affairs and dispose of the funds of the corporation according to the by-laws, rules and regulations of said cor- Election of officers, &c.
Term of office of trustees.
Powers and duties of the trustees.

Treasurer and collector to give security.	poration, from time to time made and established by the said representatives; that the said trustees shall choose a president who shall convene them when he may think proper, at least twice in each year; that the treasurer and collector shall give security to the trustees for the faithful performance of their trust; that the treasurer shall at every annual meeting of the representatives render to them an account of the funds; that the representatives shall at any meeting have a right to inquire into and control the application of the funds of such corporation, and to displace any of the trustees and officers if judged by them to be guilty of misconduct, and elect others in their place; that a majority of said representatives, and also of said trustees, shall, respectively, be a quorum to do business; that in case a vacancy shall occur in the office of representative, such vacancy shall be filled by the company to which he belongs, for the remainder of the year, by a special election to be held for that purpose; and that in case of vacancy in the office of president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, collector, or any of the said trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the representatives for the remainder of the year, by a special election to be held for that purpose.
Vacancies, how filled.	
Object.	8. That the object of incorporations under this act shall be the relief or support of such of the members thereof, including both the active and exempt firemen, as by sickness, casualty or other cause may have become indigent or disabled, and their families.
Investment and disposition of funds.	9. That all the property and funds of such corporations, together with the funds which shall arise from fines, belonging to the same under any ordinance now or hereafter made by the municipal government of any town or city, and all donations received shall be subject to the disposition of such representatives, and the same or the interest and income thereof shall be invested and appropriated to and for the benefit of such indigent and disabled firemen or their families, as may in the opinion of a majority of the trustees be worthy of assistance; and no part of the funds of such corporations shall be used for banking purposes or in any manner except as provided for in this act.
Act may be altered or repealed.	10. That the legislature may at any time alter, modify or repeal this act, and may also annul or repeal the charter of any fire department incorporated under and by virtue of the provisions of this act.

An act for the incorporation of fire companies.

P. L. 1876, p. 286.

Approved April 21, 1876.

Mode of incorporation.

Certificate of incorporation setting forth object, &c., to be filed with clerk of county.

11. SEC. 1. That it shall be lawful for any number of persons, not less than ten in number, to associate themselves together for the purposes of protecting life and property from fire, and any number of such persons, not less than ten in number, may become incorporated by such name as they shall assume and choose at a meeting to be called for that purpose, by publishing a notice to that effect once a week for two weeks prior to the assuming and choosing of such name, in one or more newspaper or newspapers circulating in the neighborhood where such association is about to be formed, which notice shall state the object of such meeting, and request the members to be present thereat; and the name which shall at such meeting be assumed and chosen shall be the name of said association, and such persons, not less than ten in number, shall file a certificate in the county clerk's office of the county where such association exists, which certificate of incorporation shall set forth the object of said association, and the period for which such association is to continue, not exceeding fifty years, and such certificate shall be executed under their hands and seals, and acknowledged before some officer authorized to take the proof and acknowledgment of deeds in the state of New Jersey, and which certificate shall be by said clerk recorded in his office the same as other certificates of incorporation are, for recording which said certificate the said clerk shall be entitled to receive and collect the usual fees allowed by law; and upon the filing and recording of such certificate as aforesaid, the persons signing and acknowledging the same as aforesaid, shall become and be incorporated by the name assumed and chosen by them as aforesaid, as a body corporate and politic in law, and they and their successors,

and all who shall associate themselves together with them shall, as such corporation, be entitled to all the rights, powers and privileges, benefits, advantages and immunities now conferred upon corporations under the laws of this state, as contained and set forth in the act in relation to corporations entitled.

Supplement.

Approved March 9, 1877. P. L. 1877, p. 220.

12. SEC. 1. That any person who shall have served seven years as a member of any fire company organized under the act to which this is a supplement, shall be thereafter exempt from serving in the militia in the time of peace, or as a juror, in which latter case he shall not be entitled to such exemption, unless he shall have filed in the office of the clerk of the county in which he shall reside, a certificate of such service made by the presiding officer of such company.

Exemption from militia and jury duty.

Game and Game Fish.

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| 1. Fishing for black bass, when prohibited. | 7. To issue warrant and try offender. |
| 2. Shad fishermen not liable. Proviso. | 8. When arrest without warrant. |
| 3. Duty of fish wardens. | 9. Proceedings in case of appeal. |
| 4. Taking of fish in certain waters prohibited at certain times. | 10. Appeal to quarter sessions. |
| 5. When rail and reed bird not to be killed. | 11. Payment of costs. |
| 6. Justice of peace to try violations of act. | 12. Provisions of act extended. |

An act for the protection of black bass in the rivers of New Jersey.

Approved April 21, 1876. P. L. 1876, p. 237.

1. That for the better protection of black bass in the rivers of the state of New Jersey during their spawning season, that it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to catch or take from said rivers by net or seine, or have in possession, or expose for sale any black bass during the months of April, May or June of each year, under a penalty of five dollars for each and every black bass so taken or exposed for sale.

Fishing prohibited during April, May and June.

2. That any fishermen who, in fishing for shad during the months of April, May and June in any of the rivers of the state, may inadvertently catch any black bass by net or seine, shall not be subject to the penalties prescribed by this act; *provided*, they turn into the rivers again any black bass so taken and caught by net or seine.

Shad fishermen not liable.

Proviso.

3. That it shall be the duty of the fish wardens of the several counties of this state to enforce the provisions of this act.

Duty of fish wardens.

A supplement to an act entitled "An act for the preservation of fish," approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

Approved March 8, 1877. P. L. 1877, p. 84.

4. SEC. 1. That section one of the above entitled act, which is in the words following, to wit: (*Vide ante*, p. 456, *Sec. 64*), be and the same is hereby amended so that the said section, as amended, shall read as follows, to wit:

That hereafter it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, at any time whatever, either by day or night to put, place or haul any gill, drift, fike or other net or nets, or any eel pot or pots, basket or baskets, or other contrivances whatever, for the taking or catching of fish, in any of the waters in the state above tide-water, or to keep any gill, drift, fike or other net or nets, or any eel pot or pots, basket or baskets, or other contrivance whatever, for the taking or catching of fish in any of said waters mentioned; and any person or persons who shall take or catch, or assist in taking or catching, any fish in manner aforesaid, or shall put, place, haul or keep, or assist in putting, placing, hauling or keeping, in any of said waters, any of the aforementioned contrivances therefor, or shall sell, expose for sale, or have knowingly in possession after the same has

Taking of fish prohibited in certain waters at certain times.

Penalty.