

matters to be transacted at such meeting. And that they, the said Company, or one-fourth part of them at least, being so met in person, or by proxy duly constituted in writing, shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to make, constitute, and establish such laws, statutes, orders, and constitutions as shall appear to them, or the major part of them, to be good and useful, honest and necessary, according to the best of their judgment and discretion, for the government, regulation, and direction of the Library Company and every member thereof; and for the appointing and regulating the election or nomination of Directors, Treasurer, Librarian, Secretary, and such and so many other officers as they shall think fit; and for limiting and appointing their trust and authority; and for the admitting new members; and to do all things concerning the government, estate, goods, lands, revenues, as also all the business and affairs of the said Company. All which laws, statutes, orders, and constitutions, so to be made as aforesaid, shall be binding on every member, and be, from time to time, inviolably observed, according to the tenor and effect of them, provided that they be not repugnant or contrary to the laws of England or this government. *Provided always,* That for the increase and preservation of the said Library, every member of the said Company shall and do pay into the hands of the said Company's Treasurer, for the time being, the sum of ten shillings, on the first Monday in May, in every year forever; and those who neglect so to do shall pay such greater sum or sums in lieu thereof, at such times, within twelve months then next following, as by the laws of the said Company shall be appointed. And that in default of these payments every delinquent shall forfeit his share in the books and estate of the said Company, and be no longer a member. In testimony whereof, we have caused the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, GEORGE THOMAS, Esq., Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the said Province and Counties,