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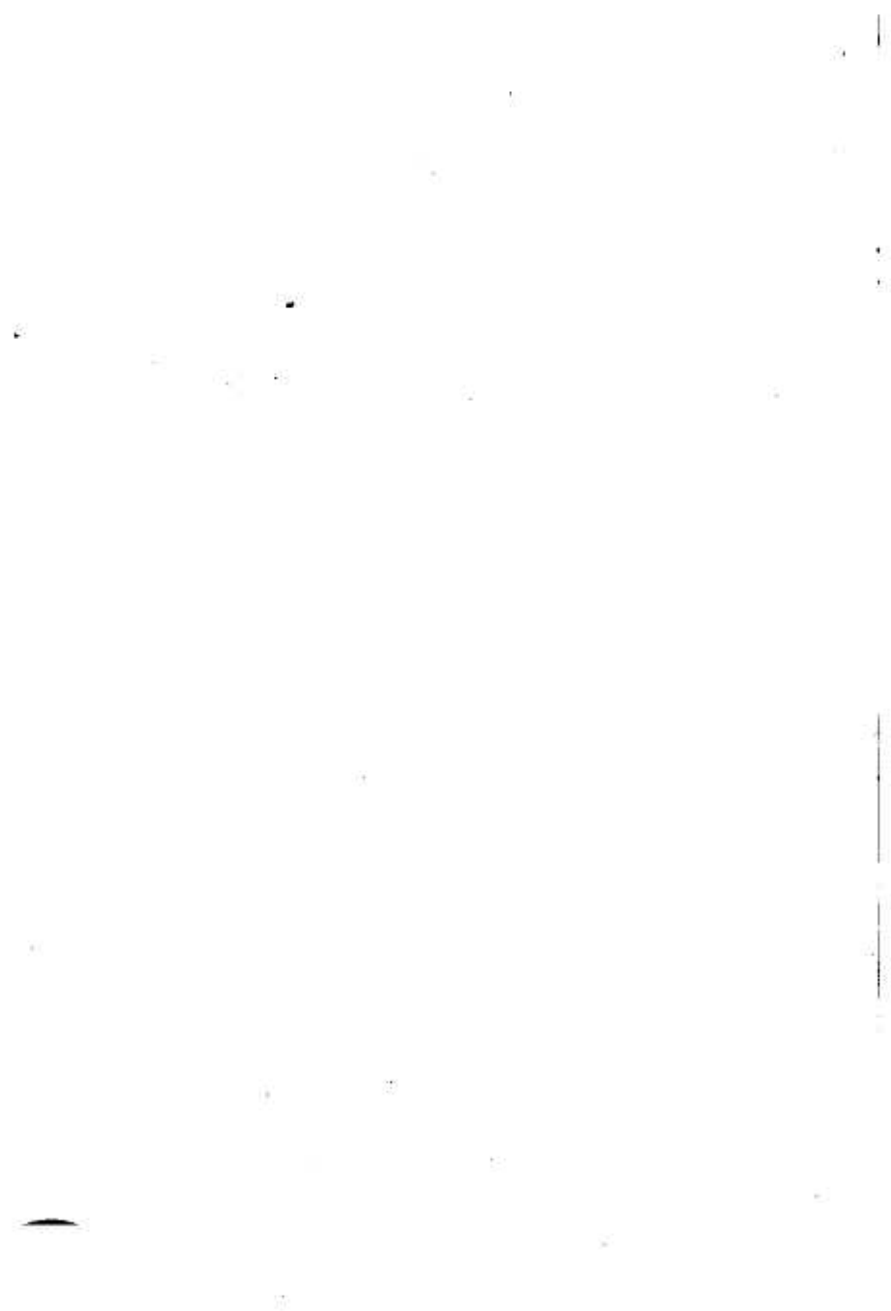
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THE
ORIGINAL CHARTER
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ANNE, by the Grace of God, Queen of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all to whom these Presents shall come greeting. Whereas Recital.
Humberstone Baron, John Hartley, William Spenceley, Richard Musgrave, and Others, have by their humble petition represented unto Us, That they have agreed upon, and entered into a voluntary Society, for the mutual benefit and interest of every person that shall at any time be a Member thereof, in order to provide for their Wives, Children, and other relations, after a more easy, certain, and advantageous method than any that hath hitherto been thought of, by an Amicable Contribution, according to certain Articles or Agreements entered into by

the said Petitioners for the purposes aforesaid. And it has been humbly certified unto Us, that their design will be of singular Use and Relief to many Families, by providing for great numbers of Widows and Orphans, who might probably be otherwise left wholly destitute of a maintenance by the sudden death of those on whom they depend :

II. And the said Petitioners have therefore humbly prayed Us to incorporate them, and all others that are or shall be concerned in the Society of *Perpetual Assurance Office*, that they may be enabled to purchase Lands to be settled as security for payment of the claims, and other uses mentioned in the aforesaid Articles :

III. Now KNOW YE, That We being graciously pleased to gratify the said Petitioners in their said request, and to encourage the said undertaking :

IV. Of Our especial grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, have granted, constituted, declared, and appointed, and by these presents, for Us our Heirs and Successors, do grant, constitute, declare, and appoint, that our trusty and well beloved

Persons incorporated.

William Lord Bishop of *Oxon*, Sir *Thomas*

Aleyn, Baronet, *Sir John Sparrow*, *Sir William Holford*, Baronet, *Sir William Read*, Knight, *Dame Mary Everard*, *Dame Ursula Bourchier*, *Dame Anne Maria Platte*, *Dame Dorothy Bedingfield*, *Dame Anna Maria Price*, *Dame Catharine Venables*, Colonel *Horace Walpole*, *Thomas Garth*, *John Ward*, *William Branthwayt*, *Charles Higges*, *Charles Cox*, *Samuel Collins*, *John Price*, *Abraham Tilghman*, *John Twelves*, *Richard Musgrave*, *Richard Coweter*, *Walter Hungerford*, *Peter Leneve*, *Joseph Shaw*, *Richard Bromhall*, *Matthias Fletcher*, *John Grub*, *Lewis Monoux*, *Henry Neale*, *Charles Yallop*, *George Nodes*, *Daniel Thornbury*, *Joseph Ayloff*, *Henry Bateman*, *Stephen Bateman*, *Charles May*, *William Livesay*, *Christopher Bedingfield*, *Gabriel Armiger*, *John Dennis*, *Valentine Downs*, *Robert Parrymalm*, *Ralph Cary*, *John Ellis*, *John Mercer*, *Robert Brown*, *William Walsham*, Esquires; *White Kenet*, *Nicholas Brady*, *William Lloyd*, *John Stillingfleet*, *Emanuel Langford*, *John Hicks*, *John Esdras Edzard*, Doctors in Divinity; *Thomas Ayloff*, *William Clements*, *Thomas Lane*, *Richard Pagett*, Doctors of Law; *John Branthwayt*, *William Dawes*, *John Kerr*, *Robert Coney*, *Ralph Hicks*, *Richard Morton*, *James Drake*, *Launcelot Harrison*, *John Doby*, Doctors of Physic; *Robert Pearson*, *Edward Cock*,

Edward Shaw, Frederick Alpe, John Heyltn, William Spenceley, Robert Sanderson, Edward Hartley, Charles Hall, John Gowland, Robert Kent, George Isaacson, sen., George Isaacson, jun., Anthony Isaacson, Robert Lord, Theophilus Bedingfield, Anthony Wilks, Charles Hornby, Benedict Ithell, Nicholas Tooke, John Savage, Capt. Thomas Savery, William Terrett, Hayford Wainwright, Henry Willis, Joseph Watts, Charles Bridges, Samuel Newton, William Rutland, Richard Talson, William Dockwar, John Oldmixon, Richard Owen, Frederick Milford, John Shewell, Ralph Leicester, Gentlemen; John Harris, John Broughton, Edward Lany, William Wotton, Richard Johnson, Thomas Cook, Thomas Wagstaff, John Jaques, Richard Coliere, Vincent Barry, Samuel Haws, Zachary Wells, Humberstone Baron, Richard Tisdale, Samuel Clark, James Mashborne, Julius Cæsar, Masters of Arts; John Ward, of St. Clement's Lane, Nathaniel Carpenter, William Blakeway, James Thornhall, Nathaniel Bland, Edward Westcombe, William Levingston, Joseph Moor, Benjamin Carter, Samuel Barwick, Robert Stiles, Merchants; Richard Mount, John Halse, John Rudyard, Robert Yardley, Capt. Francis Parr, Samuel Hoole, Samuel Watkinson, Robert Bovill, John Matthews, Robert Hartley, Jasper Harman,

John Taylor, John Hartley, William Spurling, Luke Meriton, Thomas Hodson, John Nutt, Thomas Higges, Elinor Spelman, Margaret Massingbird, Elizabeth Willis, Elizabeth Clifford, Elizabeth Austin, Elizabeth Wilshaw, Theodosia Bedingfield, Penelope Price, Elinor Hoar, Martha Flint, Isabella English, Mary Rutty, and Penelope Webster.

V. And all and every other Person and Persons who shall be admitted to be a Subscriber and Subscribers to the said *Perpetual Assurance Office*, according to the Directions hereinafter contained, not exceeding Two Thousand Persons in the whole, shall be and be called one Body Corporate and Politic in Deed and in Name, by the Name of *The Amicable Society for a Perpetual Assurance Office*. Not to exceed Two Thousand.

VI. And them by the Name of *The Amicable Society for a Perpetual Assurance Office*, We do, for Us our Heirs and Successors, make, erect, ordain, constitute, establish, confirm, and declare by these Presents, to be one Body Corporate and Politic in Deed and in Name for ever. Name of the Corporation.

VII. And we do for Us our Heirs and Successors grant and declare, That by the To have Perpetual Succession, and