

RULES, &c.

TO BE OBSERVED BY THE

Hand-in-Hand Fire Company.



It is the indispensable duty of every Member of a Community, more especially in compact Towns, to guard against the fatal effects of Fire ; and to prevent as much as possible, the dreadful consequences of so alarming and destructive a calamity. And it is generally acknowledged, from the experience of every well regulated Society, that Fire Associations have the best tendency to prevent these evils—which are too frequently felt by the unfortunate, from the baseness and treachery of wicked and designing persons, who avail themselves of the confusion, incident to such events, as affording a favourable opportunity for the perpetration of their vile and inhuman practices. We, the President and Members of the “**HAND IN HAND FIRE COMPANY.**” Convinced of the truth of these facts, and satisfied that many and great benefits result from the establishment of Fire Companies, and reposing special trust and confidence in the honor and integrity of each other, do agree to the following Rules—(being a revision and consolidation of the standing Regulations of the Society)—as passed at a Special Meeting of the Company, held on the 10th day of March, 1835. And we pledge ourselves to each other to observe these Rules—and all others which may be duly made in addition, amendment or alteration thereof.