detectives of the regular force employed by the said board; nor shall any enforced absence, with leave, on account of sickness or death be deducted from the pay of any such officer of police, policeman or detective, or from the twenty days' leave, as herein provided for.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1900.

CHAPTER 422.

AN ACT to repeal Section nine of an Act passed February 23, 1858, entitled "An Act to incorporate the President and Directors of the American Fire Insurance Company of Baltimore," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary-American land, That Section nine of an Act passed February 23, 1858, Company of entitled "An Act to incorporate the President and Directors Baltimore. of the American Fire Insurance Company of Baltimore," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted as follows:

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the stockholders composing the association, or their representative by proxy, shall hold a Annual elecmeeting for the election of directors on the first Monday in directors and January in each and every year, and choose, by ballot, from among the stockholders, twenty-four directors to serve for one year; each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each and every share of stock held by him; the directors so chosen shall serve until the first Monday in January following, and until others shall be chosen, and no longer; at their first meeting, after every election, they shall choose, by ballot, a president either from amongst their own body or from the other stockholders; and in case of a vacancy or vacancies, caused by the death, resignation or disqualification of any of the present board of directors, or any of the board of directors elected, as herein provided, the stockholders shall proceed, by ballot, to fill such vacancy or vacancies for the remainder of the year.

president.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That any Act conflicting with this Act be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1900.