the United States, shall be exonerated and discharged from all taxes and assessments which may be at any time imposed by the authority of this State, [when] so long as the said lands or portion thereof respectively are and shall remain the property of the United States, and be used for the purpose aforesaid.

In force.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 1, 1872.

CHAPTER 276.

AN ACT to provide for cancelling the stocks or bonds of the State of Maryland, now held by the Treasurer, to the credit of the sinking fund, and to provide for the investment of the augmentations of said funds.

Treasurer to cancel and

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby destroy bonds directed, on or before the first day of May next, in the presence of the Governor and Comptroller, to cancel and destroy all the bonds and certificates of stock of this State, now held in his office to the credit of the sinking fund, and all further payment by the State of interest on said bonds or certificates aforesaid, so required to be cancelled and destroyed, shall cease from and after the first day of April next.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That before can-To make out list of same. celling and destroying the said bonds and certificates as aforesaid, the Treasurer be and he is thereby authorized and required to cause to be made out a list of the said bonds and certificates, with the numbers and amounts of the same, and the names of the persons to whom said certificates are payable, and shall carefully examine and compare the same, and file the said list in his office for preservation.