annually to give notice of at least two weeks by advertisement in some newspaper published in Baltimore, Harford, Carroll rescribing election of diand Frederick Counties and Baltimore City of the election required to be held on the first Tuesday in February of each fire insurance company. and every year, for thirteen directors of said company, who shall be members thereof, but in case such election should from any cause not be held on said day, the company shall not in consequence thereof be dissolved, but such election may be held at such subsequent times as may be selected by the board of directors or a majority of them after giving the notice above validity of proxy vote. required, and at such election each member shall have one vote, and may vote either in person or by proxy, and no proxy shall be deemed valid unless it shall have been executed and delivered within twelve months immediately preceding the election to be held.

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

Approved March 11, 1904.

CHAPTER 47.

AN ACT to provide for the donation of a copy of each volume of the Archives of the State of Maryland, published by the Maryland Historical Society, to the Washington County Free Library.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Maryland Historical Society, in part consid-State "Archives" for eration of and as a condition to the payment of any sum of free library. money appropriated by the General Assembly of Maryland out of the Treasury of the State to the said Maryland Historical Society shall deliver to the Washington County Free Library without said, the Washington County Free Library, being required to pay therefor, one copy of each volume of the Archives of Marvland heretofore published by said, the Maryland Historical Society.

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

Approved March 11, 1904.

CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT to formally adopt and legalize the Maryland flag.

WHEREAS, It is represented to the General Assembly that the flag designed and used as the Flag of Maryland, under the