

at least seven benefit members of said society, at a stated meeting of the said society, and may be discussed at the next stated or special meeting, but shall not be finally decided on until it has been two full months before the society, and shall not take effect unless three-fourths of the benefit members residing within the city and precincts of Baltimore are in favor thereof; *Provided nevertheless*, that no such dissolution shall operate to impair or invalidate any contract before that time made, or to affect a suit then instituted, or to be instituted by or against such corporation.

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Contracts valid

Sec. 10. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be and remain in force until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and forty five.

Limitation

Sec. 11. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the property of said corporation from the operation of the taxing power of this state.

Right reserved

CHAPTER 13.

An act for the relief of John Gauer.

Passed Jan. 22, 1834

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Register of the Land office for the western shore be authorised, and he is hereby directed to issue in due time to John Gauer, of Allegany county, a patent for a tract of land called "Lost and Found," containing nine hundred and seventy-eight acres, lying in Allegany county, without the payment or proof of the payment of the caution money into the Treasury.

Patent granted

CHAPTER 14.

An act for the relief of Thomas Gowen, of the city of Baltimore.

Passed Jan. 24, 1834

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of insolvent debtors for the city and county of Baltimore, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to grant to Thomas Gowen, of the city of Baltimore, the benefit of the several acts of Assembly, pas-

Insolvent law extended to