

among the shareholders, not less than nine, nor more than twenty directors, to manage the concerns of said corporation for one year thereafter, or until an election shall take place, and their successors are duly qualified, the said directors shall qualify at the next regular meeting of the company, and a majority of said board shall be and are hereby empowered to transact all business of the corporation.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take 'in force effect from the date of its passage.

Approved, April 11th, 1874.

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CHAPTER 239.

AN ACT granting the assent of the General Assembly of Maryland, to a bequest contained in the last will and testament of Amelia Matthews, (colored,) late of the City of Baltimore, deceased, to the Rev. Mr. Miller, the Priest in charge of St. Francis Xavier, Colored Roman Catholic Church, located in Calvert street near Pleasant street, in the City of Baltimore, or to his successor, for the use and benefit of said church.

WHEREAS, Amelia Matthews, (colored,) late of the City of Baltimore, deceased, by her last will and testament, bearing date the eleventh day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and recorded in the office of the Register of Wills of Carroll county, bequeathed to the Rev. Mr. Miller, the Priest in charge of St. Francis Xavier, Colored Roman Catholic Church, located in Calvert street near Pleasant street, in the City of Baltimore, or to his successor in charge, the sum of three hundred dollars, for the use and benefit of said church, and

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The Rev. Peter L. Miller, was the Priest in charge of said church at the date of said will, therefore—

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