CHAP. 313. days, from ten o'clock, A. M. until two o'clock, P. M. and if at the expiration of that period, subscrip-

tions to the said capital stock shall not have been obtained to the amount of twenty thousand shares, the said

commissioners or a majority of them, may cause the said books to be opened from time to time, after the

expiration of said six days, upon again giving the notice hereinbefore required, for the space of twelve

months thereafter, unless the said amount be sooner subscribed; and if that amount of shares shall not

be subscribed before the expiration of said twelve months; this act and all subscriptions under it, shall be null and void; and if any of the said commissioners Vacancy

shall die, resign, or refuse to act, the duties devolved on them being unfinished, another shall be appointed in his stead by those who shall continue to act, or a

majority of them.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That if a greater num-Reduction of sub.3 scriptions

ber of shares shall be subscribed to the capital stock of said Bank than is authorised by this act, the said President and Directors, as commissioners, or a ma-

jority of them, may reduce the subscription in such manner as they shall deem equitable, but without re-

But not of the State's ducing any subscription which may be made thereto by the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland as Trustee, or on behalf of this State; and in case any

subscriber shall have paid a greater sum of money at the time of subscribing, than at the rate of five dollars per share on the shares to him appropriated and allot-

ted, the commissioners shall only retain the sum re-To return surplus; quired as the first payment on these shares, and forth-

with return the surplus on application for the same, to the persons lawfully entitled thereto; and upon every subscription, there shall be paid at the time of sub-

scribing, to said commissioners, or to their agents appointed to receive subscriptions, the sum of five Pay 85 per share

dollars per share, and the said commissioners shall deposit by them or their agents in some place of safe keeping, to be in part returned in the case of an excess of subscription, as hereinbefore provided, and the residue to be added to the capital stock of the said Bank; and they shall be allowed all reasonable charges and