

Chapter 258.

AN ACT to make a further supplement to an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Baltimore Equitable Society for insuring houses from loss by fire," increasing the powers of the corporation created by said act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Baltimore Equitable Society for insuring houses from loss by fire, incorporated by an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, chapter thirty-nine, shall have power to insure under one policy and valuation several houses in the same row and contiguous to one another, or, in its discretion, may in such case value and insure each house separately; any stable or stables or other outbuildings may be insured together with the principal house on the same lot or lots.

Power increased.

Insure wooden buildings.

Insure buildings in course of erection.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall have power to insure wooden and frame buildings as well as stone and brick buildings, and by perpetual or permanent policies, or for any period of time which may be agreed on between the parties at the time of insurance and for a deposit or for a premium paid; but only persons insured by deposit shall have the rights or be subject to the liabilities of members of the corporation; and the said corporation shall also have power to insure in like manner any new and unfinished houses and buildings in course of erection, and to insure household and kitchen furniture, libraries, plate, wearing apparel, pictures, wines, liquors and any other personal property of a kind usually kept in dwelling houses, whether the same be at the time in a dwelling house or stored or deposited in some other building.

Additional insurance.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation may, in its discretion, permit any person insured therein to have additional insurance on the same property in some other company or companies, provided that such permission be indorsed on the policy or contained in it, and provided that in case of loss the said Baltimore Equitable Society shall in no event be liable for more than such proportion of