

Proviso. dred dollars annually; provided, that the said F. Knapp's English and German Institute has complied with the requirements of this section.

Effective. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1884.

Chapter 478.

AN ACT to repeal section one of an act passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act to regulate the building of joint fences in Howard county," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Repealed and re-enacted. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section one of an act passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven, entitled "An act to regulate the building of joint fences in Howard county," be and the same is hereby repealed, and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

Joint fences. SEC. 2. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That whenever joint fences may hereafter be established in said county for the mutual benefit of different owners or possessors of adjoining lands, each party shall keep in good repair his just proportion thereof in the manner following: all post and rail or plank fences shall be at least four feet and a-half high; all stone fences shall be at least four feet high, and all worm or other fences shall be at least five feet high, the height in every case to be computed from the ground or base of any embankment upon which said fence may be placed; and there shall be between the bottom rail or plank and the ground or embankment on which said fence is placed no larger interval than five inches, and between the bottom rail or plank and the rail or plank directly above the same no larger interval than five inches. And when said fence or