CHAPTER 128.

AN ACT to appropriate a certain sum of money to preserve the charter of the Maryland State Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

Whereas the State of Maryland has the sum of fifty thousand dollars invested in the Pimlico Fair Grounds, appropriated at various times to encourage the agricultural and mechanical interests of Maryland, having also incorporated the said association, providing in its charter "that the association shall forfeit the same if they should neglect to hold at least one exhibition every third year on these grounds;" the charter has been complied with so far, but owing to bad weather and other circumstances, over which they had no control, the exhibition held in the Fall of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, did not yield sufficient revenue to enable them to hold exhibitions in the Fall of eighteen hundred and eighty-four or the Fall of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, but they did hold exhibitions each of these years at Hagerstown in connection with the Washington County Society, they assuming all financial responsibility; and

Preamble.

Whereas the association are obliged to hold an exhibition on Pimlico during the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, or said charter will be forfeited, with grounds and extensive improvements, thereby the State would lose largely of what it has invested in this property, but by the appropriation of three thousand dollars, the association can be put on its feet, and continue to encourage the agricultural and mechanical interests of the State, besides protecting the State's interests in the property to the extent of perhaps its entire investment.

Preamble.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of