WHEREAS, On the twelfth day of February, eighteen hun-preamble. dred and ninety six, the main building of Charlotte Hall Academy, in St. Mary's county, was destroyed by fire; and

WHEREAS, The said institution is the next oldest institution Preamble. for education in the State of Maryland, and the only institution of its kind in Southern Maryland; and

Whereas, It has so well performed the duties incident to its purposes of incorporation, and has been so useful in the Preamble. dissemination of knowledge and in the proper educational and moral training of the youth of the State; and,

WHEREAS, Without assistance from the State it is impossi-Preamble. ble to rebuilt the burned buildings.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and that the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of the State to the order of the board of trustees of Charlotte Hall Academy, in such sums and at such times as the said trustees shall produce proper vouchers for the expenditure of said sums in the rebuilding said main building of Charlotte Half Academy; provided, that such warrants shall not exceed in the aggregate the said sum of five thousand dollars.

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

Approved April 2d, 1896.

CHAPTER 154.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the Baltimore Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor, being an additional Act to the Act of 1888, Chapter twenty-four.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That article eight of the constitution of the Baltimore Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor, Repeal as the same is contained in the Acts of the General Assembly of 1888, chapter 24, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, so as to be as follows, namely: