house buildings and grounds, whose duty shall be to keep the rooms well cleaned, and the grounds and closets in good order, make all necessary fires, and perform such other duties pertaining to his office as the County Commissioners may from time to time direct; the janitor shall receive a salary of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, payable quarterly.

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

Approved April 2, 1896.

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CHAPTER 283.

AN ACT to provide for the further publication of the Archives of Maryland.

WHEREAS, By chapter one hundred and thirty eight, of the Act of the General Assembly, passed at the session of eighteen hundred and eighty-two, the Maryland Historical Society was Preamble. appointed custodian of the records, archives and ancient documents of the Province and State as therein provided, on condition that the said society should safely keep, properly arrange and catalogue the same, and should edit and publish under its supervision such of the same as were of historical importance; and

WHEREAS, The said society out of its own means has con-preamble. structed an expensive vault for the safe keeping of said records, and has on its part complied with all the provisions of said act and of subsequent acts, and it is proper that the publication of said archives should be continued with diligence and care under the supervision of said society; therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sum of two thousand dollars for each year, though for the period of two years from this date, be and the same is hereby appropriated and shall be paid to the said Maryland Historical Society out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall be paid, one thousand dollars on the first day of June and December, of the years eighteen hundred and ninety-six and eighteen hundred and

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the Archives of Maryland Publication published by the said society with the funds herein provided, shall as provided by the act of eighteen hundred and eighty-