WHEREAS, Many of the survivors of the late war have purpreamble, chased property in the State of Maryland for the purpose of erecting monuments and laying out parks which are intended to perpetuate the memory of those who fell on both sides in the late war; and

WHEREAS, It is right and proper that such properties should Preamble. be exempt from taxation; therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly, That real property purchased in the State of Maryland by survivors of the late war for the purpose of erecting monuments and for Exempt from laying commemorative parks in memory of those who fought on both sides in the late war, be and the same is hereby perpetually exempted from taxation for all State, county and municipal purposes; provided, that no greater quantity than fifteen acres shall be so exempted for any one association.

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

Approved April 2, 1896.

CHAPTER 301.

AN ACT to refund to Rainbow Lodge, No. 76, I. O. O. F. of Lisbon, Howard county, a certain sum of money erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

WHEREAS, Rainbow Lodge, No. 76, I. O. O. F. of Lisbon, Howard county, was erroneously assessed upon its property from 1877 to 1891, inclusive, and did pay into the State Treasury the State tax during that period upon such assessment; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of the Treasury be, and he is hereby Appropriation authorized and directed to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer in favor of the Rainbow Lodge, No. 76, I. O. O. F. of Lisbon, Howard county, for the sum of \$43.42, being the amount so overpaid by said lodge.

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

Approved April 4, 1896.