

## CHAPTER 342.

AN ACT to appropriate three thousand dollars for the relief of the Provident Hospital and Free Dispensary of Baltimore City.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars for <sup>Appropriation.</sup> the fiscal year ending on the 30th day of September, 1897, and the like sum of one thousand five hundred dollars for the fiscal year ending on the 20th day of September, 1898, be appropriated for the relief of the Provident Hospital and Free Dispensary of Baltimore City.

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

Approved April 4, 1896.

## CHAPTER 343.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of assisting the Naval Veteran Association of Maryland in the erection of a suitable monument or tablet in the United States National Cemetery at Loudon Park, to the memory of the sailors of Maryland who lost their lives in defending the Union.

WHEREAS, It has been the custom in a vast majority of the <sup>Preamble.</sup> States to erect monuments in memory of their gallant heroes who lost their lives in the defense of the Union; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland has appropriated various <sup>Preamble.</sup> sums for the purpose of erecting monuments to the Maryland contingent of the army in the conflicts of the late war; and

WHEREAS, There have been many heroic deeds done and many lives lost in defending the cause of the <sup>Preamble.</sup> Union, upon the seas as well as the land, and the sailors of Maryland have amply furnished their proportion of the gallant deeds recorded in history; and

WHEREAS, The erection of a naval monument in the State of Maryland would be a long deferred recognition by this <sup>Preamble.</sup> State of the services of those who went down to the sea in ships in defense of their country; therefore,