

this appropriation being made for the purpose of compensating the said children for the destruction of the country residence of their father, the late Augustus W. Bradford, then Governor of the State, together with its contents, on the 11th of July, 1864, under an order issued by General Bradley T. Johnson, in command of a Confederate force, which order recited that the direction to burn was given in retaliation for the burning of the home of Governor Letcher, of Virginia, then recently accomplished by the Union troops operating under the command of General Hunter, in the Valley of Virginia.

Effective.

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

Approved April 4th, 1896.

CHAPTER 388.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money to assist in defraying expenses of remodeling, repairing and putting in condition for use as an armory for the Fourth Regiment Maryland National Guard, the building known as the Western Female High School, on west Fayette near Paca, in the city of Baltimore.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore have by proper ordinance given the building and ground known as the Western Female High School, situate on west Fayette street, in the city of Baltimore, between Paca and Green streets, to the Fourth Regiment Maryland National Guard, to be used by it for the purposes of an armory; and

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Said building will need remodeling, repairing, etc., to place it in condition suitable for the needs and requirements of said Regiment; therefore,

Appropriation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to assist in defraying expenses in repairing, remodeling and refitting the building known as the Western Female High School, in the city of Baltimore, for the purpose of an armory, to be used by the Fourth Regiment Maryland National Guard.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the sum of ten thousand dollars so appropriated shall be paid out of any funds in the