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which said sum, when collected, less cost of collection, shall be applied to this purpose and none other; provided, that in making the contract for water they shall bind the company, corporation or individual, to keep the water works in complete repair and working order, and continue their working at such periods and intervals as will furnish and fully supply water sufficient at least to protect the whole town from fire, and furnish, maintain and supply pipes, mains and plugs sufficient for said purposes, the performance of said agreement to be a condition precedent to the payment of the rent for said water. No contract to be made for more than ten years at a time.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the Mayor and City Council may, in their discretion, require a bond for the faithful performance of any contract for water, in such penalty as they, the Mayor and City Council, may prescribe.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not be conwhen tax to strued to authorize the actual levy for the additional tax hereinbefore authorized until the water works are completed, pipes laid and water in a condition to be furnished.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That in making the contract for water with any company, corporation or individual, they shall bind said company, corporation or individual, to receive and Two directors admit into the board of directors or managers of said company, pointed ancorporation or individual, two directors or managers, said directors or managers to be appointed annually by the Mayor and City Council as their representatives, and to have the same power and duties as the directors or managers elected or chosen under and by virtue of the charter or by-laws of said company, corporation or individual; provided, however, that neither the Mayor nor any member of the City Council shall be eligible as directors or managers on the part of the town.

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SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 14, 1898.

## CHAPTER 43.

AN ACT to amend the charter and to extend the powers of the Maryland Casualty Company of Baltimore City, a corporation formed under Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, entitled "Corporations," and changing the title of said corporation to "Maryland Casualty Company."