

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section thirteen of Article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, <sup>repeal.</sup> entitled "Courts," sub-title "Inspection of Records," be and the same is hereby repealed, in so far as the same relates to Frederick county, and re-enacted with amendments to apply to Frederick county only, so as to read as follows :

13. It shall be the duty of the judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick county at every term to inspect the records and papers of the office attached to said court, relating to lands, tenements or other real estate, and examine the condition thereof and see whether the clerk of such court has performed the duties required of him by law, relating to the recording of judgments, decrees, executions and proceedings, and whether he has entered and transcribed the docket entries as required by law. <sup>Duty of judges.</sup> And if it should appear on such examination that any of the records have become so dilapidated and worn as to require them to be transcribed, they shall order and direct the clerk to transcribe the same into new record books, which the clerk shall procure for that purpose ; and such new records when so transcribed, shall be carefully examined and certified by said clerk, and when so examined and certified shall be substituted for and become the records of said court in lieu of the worn out records. And the County Commissioners for Frederick county shall annually levy by estimate in advance, a sum of money sufficient to provide a fair compensation for the labor of the clerk in making such new records ; and shall pay to said clerk at the end of each calendar month, such sum of money as may be found due to said clerk for services rendered under the provisions of this section.

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

Approved April 7, 1898.

#### CHAPTER 224.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money therein mentioned, to pay the claim of the Legion Permanent Building Association of Baltimore City, a body corporate incorporated under the laws of Maryland, for a payment of a bonus upon the capital stock for the use of the State of Maryland, as provided for by Chapter 536 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the Session of 1890.