And the directors of said bank may, at their discretion, pay to such minor or female covert depositor such sum or sums of maney as may be due to him or her, and the check, receipt or acquittance of such minor or female covert shall be valid, any law of this State to the contrary notwithstanding.

Receive goods on storage. SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That said company may receive upon storage, deposit or otherwise, merchandise special, plate, bullion, stocks, promissory notes, certificates and evidences of debt, contracts and all other personal property, and advance money thereupon on such terms as may be established or approved by said company, that in all cases in which public officers or municipal or private corporations are authorized to deposit money, stocks, bonds or evidences of debt, such deposits by such officers or corporations may be made with said company.

Effective.

- SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.
 - Approved April 9, 1898.

CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT to provide for fourteen free scholarships at Washington College, and aid in the crection of an additional building, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the visitors and governors of Washington College are authorized and directed to supply free tuition and free books to one male or female student from each and every county on the western shore of the State of Maryland, either in the normal or collegiate department of said college.

Free tuition.

File applica-

- SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That students wishing to secure the benefit of this Act, shall file a written application for such scholarship with the Board of County School Commissioners of which he is a resident, together with a certificate of his or her good physical health and good moral character. And said Board of County School Commissioners shall cause all such applicants to be examined on such subjects or studies as the principal of Washington College may suggest, and shall make the appointment after such competitive examination is held, and shall certify such appointment to the principal of said college in writing.
- SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the treasurer, on the warrant of the Comptroller, be and is hereby authorized and