

tory evidence of his death, be paid to said wife, or to the legal representative of said infant children for their benefit; *provided*, that if the said wife or children be a slave or slaves, the said unpaid balance of bounty shall revert to the State.

Fund created.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of meeting the expenses to be incurred under this Act, a fund is hereby created, to be called the Defence Loan, and the Treasurer of the State is hereby authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue bonds or certificates of debt, bearing interest at six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of January and July in each year, and redeemable in not less than ten nor more than thirty years, at the pleasure of the State, in the name and on behalf of the State of Maryland, to an amount not exceeding four millions of dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, and the proceeds of such bonds or certificates so issued shall be passed to the credit of said defence loan, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying all liabilities to be incurred under the provisions of this act, and the Treasurer of the State is hereby authorized, under the discretion of the Governor, to invest in the bonds to be issued as aforesaid, one million of dollars of the interest of the sinking fund, or any other funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and that all payments made by or on account of the purchasers of the bonds or certificates of debt, issued under the provisions of this bill, shall be made to the Treasurer on the warrant of the Comptroller, and all certificates of debt or bonds so issued shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Comptroller.

Notice to be given.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the Governor shall, as soon as may be, notify the Commissioners of the several counties, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, of the number of men for which they are liable to be drafted under existing calls by the Federal Government, and the said Commissioners, or Mayor, or City Council, upon forwarding to the Governor properly authenticated lists of volunteers mustered in under this act in their respective counties and the city of Baltimore, are hereby authorized and empowered, upon the certificate of the Governor, to draw upon the Treas-