Ridgely, Caroline County, Maryland," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 22 of Chapter 178 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session of 1896, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Ridgely, Caroline County, Maryland," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

Section 22. *And be it enacted,* That the said Commissioners may annually levy upon the assessable property within said town by a direct tax, not exceeding forty cents on the one hundred dollars, such sum as they may deem necessary for the purpose of defraying and settling the expenses likely to be incurred by them on behalf of said corporation, and the said Commissioners may apply and appropriate the funds arising from such tax, as well as other funds and moneys belonging to said corporation in their discretion, in paying the costs and expenses of opening, closing, extending, paving and improving streets, alleys and grounds; for providing street lamps and lighting the same, fire machinery and apparatus; for removal of garbage, obstructions and nuisances; for setting pumps and wells for drainage for restricting the spread of contagious diseases; for the payment of their officers or employees reasonable salaries, and for such other purposes as, in their judgment, benefit and subserve the public interest.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect on the first day of June, 1922.

Approved April 13th, 1922.

CHAPTER 238.

AN ACT to authorize and direct the County Commissioners of Wicomico County to issue bonds to the extent of three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000) for the purpose of purchasing sites and for the erection of new school buildings and the equipment of same in Wicomico County, and providing for a referendum vote on the proposed loan.

WHEREAS, The rapid increase in the population of said Wicomico County and the large increase in the number of pupils