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SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That the direction and of company in-management of the company, and all the affairs thereof, trusted to the from time to time, shall be intrusted with and committed board of dito twenty-five of the members, who shall be called the rectors. board of directors of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Baltimore, and the said board of directors, shall have full power and authority to act and proceed therein as hereinafter is more particularly provided and expressed, and in case of death, resignation or disqualification by ceasing to be a member or refusal to act of any director, it shall be in the power of the said board to fill up the vacancy occasioned thereby.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That at the general meet- Directors choing in January annually, twenty-five members of the sen by ballot. company shall be chosen by ballot to be directors for the year ensuing, the election to begin on the first day of the meeting and be continued by adjournment if necessary; and when the election is finished, the general meeting may proceed to other business and not before, which directors shall within ten days thereafter, choose a president from their own body, and thirteen directors shall constitute a quorum; and for the better and immediate forming and establishing the company twenty-five members, viz: Thomas M. Abbett, Thomas Phenix, John H. Barnes, Enoch P. Holden, John A. Thompson, John Marshall, Henry S. Sanderson, Archer Ropes, Levi Taylor, John B. Emery, William Bayley, Richard Marley, Henry W. Krebs, James Lovegrove, James L. Ridgely, James Young, William S. Espey, John H. T. Jerome, William L. McCauley, John Fossett, Samuel Child, William Colton, David Martin, Jacob Mearis, and James Lucas, the first mentioned Thomas M. Ab-