sidered as so much cash, to the amount before mentioned, for the purpose of enabling the company to put the finished portion of the canal below Dam No. 6, in complete condition and repair.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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## ANACT

To aid the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company in certain repairs of their work and for other purposes.

## (Passed March 15th, 1849.)

Whereas it is represented to the General Assembly in a memorial from the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, that the means provided by the Act of Maryland, passed at December session 1844, chapter 281, are applicable only to the important object of completing the Canal from Dam No. 6 to Cumberland, that from the wear and tear of time and freshets, the finished part of the work below Dam No. 6 requires repairs and improvements to enable it to meet and accommodate the expected heavy tonnage to be transported on the Canal upon its completion, and that if these repairs be delayed until that time (as must be the case unless aid is now furnished) there must be, whenever they are made a suspension of, transportation which would be detrimental to all the interests involved, and among them to the interests of this Commonwealth, exceeding in value half a million of dollars: therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly, that it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Commonwealth to underwrite or endorse the guarantee of the State to the bonds of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, to be issued in pursuance of this act, to an amount not exceeding \$200.000, in the form or to the effect following, to wit: I, A. B., Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in conformity to an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed on the day of 1849, do hereby pledge the faith of the State for the punctual payment of the interest, and the redemption of the principal sum of money appearing to be owing by the within or above bond according to the terms therein specified. In testimony whereof, I have hereto set