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or ointments when plainly labeled, "for external use only;" and, provided, further, that the above provisions shall not apply to sales at wholesale by jobbers, wholesalers and manufacturers to retail druggists, nor to sales at retail by retail druggists to regular practitioners of medicine, dentistry or veterinary medicine, nor to sales made to manufacturers of proprietary or pharmaceutical preparations for use in the manufacture of such preparations, nor to sales to hospitals, colleges, scientific or public institutions, and provided further that the provisions of this act shall not apply to the sale or manufacture of any bona fide patent or proprietary medicine.

Sec. 2—And be it further enacted, That it shall be unlawful for any practitioner of medicine, dentistry or veterinary medicine to furnish to or to prescribe for the use of any habitual user of the same, any cocaine, eucaine or morphine, or any salt or compound of cocaine, eucaine or morphine, or any preparation containing cocaine, eucaine or morphine or their salts, and it shall be unlawful for any practitioner of dentistry to prescribe any of the foregoing substances for any person not under his treatment in the regular line of his profession, or for any practitioner of veterinary medicine to prescribe any of the foregoing substances for the use of any human being; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent any lawfully authorized practitioner of medicine from prescribing in good faith for the use of any habitual user of narcotic drugs such substances as he may deem necessary for the treatment of such habit.

Sec. 3—Be it further enacted, That any person who shall knowingly violate any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction for the first offense shall be fined not less than twenty-five ($25) dollars nor more than fifty ($50) dollars and upon conviction for a second offense shall be fined not less than fifty ($50) dollars nor more than one hundred $(100) dollars, and upon conviction for a third offense and all subsequent offenses shall be fined not less than one hundred ($100) dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars ($200) and shall be imprisoned in jail for not more than six months; it shall be the duty of the Grand Jury to make presentments for violations of this Act.

Sec. 4—Be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 12, 1904.

MORTGAGING OF REAL ESTATE.

CHAPTER 563.

AN ACT to add an additional section to Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, to be known as Section 198A and to follow immediately after Section 198 of said Article, relating to the powers of Courts of Equity to authorize the mortgaging of lands belonging to estates.

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That an additional section be and it is hereby added to Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title, "Chancery," sub-title "Sales," to be known as Section 198A, and to follow immediately after Section 198 of said Article, to read as follows:

Sec. 198A—In all cases where one or more persons is or are entitled to an tate, for life or years, or to an estate, tail, fee simple, conditional, base or qualified fee, or any other particular limited or conditional estate in lands, and any person or persons is or are entitled to a remainder or remainders, vested or contingent, or an executory device or devices, or any other interest vested or contingent in the same land, on application of any of the parties in interest in Court of Equity, if all the parties in being are parties to the proceeding, and if it shall appear to be advantageous to the parties concerned may decree a conveyance of the same by way of mortgage, and shall direct the investment or other disposition or application of the proceeds of such mortgage so as to enure to the use and benefit of the same parties who would be entitled by the original grant to the lands so mortgaged, and all such decrees, if all the persons are parties who would be entitled if the contingency had happened at the date of the decree, snall bind all persons whether in being or not, who claim or may claim any interest in said land under any of the parties to said decree or under any person from whom any of the parties to such decree claim, or from or under or by the original deed or will by which such particular limited or conditional estate, with remainders or executory devices, were created and the said mortgages executed in pursuance of such decrees, shall bind the estates and interests in the said lands so mortgaged, of all such persons, whether in being or not.

Sec. 2—And it be further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.

EXEMPTION FROM EXECUTION.

CHAPTER 381.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section eight of Article eighty-three of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Sales and Notices," sub-title "Exemption from Execution."

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section eight of Article eighty-three of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Sales and Notices," sub-title, "Exemption from Execution," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

8. One hundred ($100) dollars in property, whether the same consist of money, land or goods, of every defendant, as well as all money payable in the nature of insurance, benefit or relief in the contingency or event of sickness, accident, hurt or death of any person, shall be exempt from execution or seizure in satisfaction of debt or claim upon any judgment in any civil proceedings, except on judgments for breach of promise to marry and for seduction.

Sec. 2.—And it be further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

SANITARY BARBER SHOPS.

CHAPER 226.

AN ACT to Regulate the Practice of Barbering in the State of Maryland, to establish a State Board of Barber Examiners; to Provide for the Sanitary Inspection of Barber Shops, and to Provide Penalties for the Violation Thereof.

Section 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, within thirty days after the passage of this Act, the Governor shall appoint a Board of Barber Examiners for the State of Maryland. The Board shall consist of three members, two of whom shall be journeyman barbers and one of whom shall be a master barber, and each of whom shall serve for a term of two years from the date when his appointment shall take effect, except in the case of an appointment to fill a vacancy. No person shall be eligible to appointment as a member of said Board unless he has been continuously, for five years last past, engaged in the occupation of a barber within this State.

Sec. 2—Said Board so appointed, and its successors, shall be known by the name "Board of Barber Examiners of the State of Maryland." Every person so appointed to serve on said Board shall receive a certificate of his appointment from the Governor of the State of Maryland and within ten days after receiving such certificate, shall take, subscribe and file in the office of the Secertary of State, the constitutional oath of office.

Sec. 3—Each member of such Board shall receive as compensation the sum of five dollars ($5.00) for each day necessarily and actually engaged in the performance of his duty as a member of said Board, and three cents (3c) for each mile necessarily and actually travelled by him in attending the meetings of said Board, which sum or sums shall be paid out of any moneys in the hands of the treasurer of said Board.

Sec. 4—The first meeting of said Board shall be held within thirty days after their appointment as aforesaid, at a time and place to be fixed by a majority thereof, who shall give suitable notice thereof to all the members of said Board. At such meeting the Board may adopt a common seal, and shall elect from its members a president, a secretary and treasurer. The treasurer shall receive all fees paid for licenses or certificates, and shall keep a record thereof and of all disbursements of said Board in a book to be kept for that purpose. The treasurer shall not pay out or disburse any of the moneys so received by him, except upon the order of the Board. Before entering upon the performance of his duties, the treasurer shall file with the State Comptroller a bond, with sufficient sureties, to the people of the State of Maryland, in the penal sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to be approved by the State Comptroller, conditioned that he will well and truly pay over all moneys received by him, according to law and in compliance with the provisions of this Act, and that he will otherwise faithfully discharge the duties of his office.

Sec. 5—The Board of Examiners shall have the power to appoint Sub-Boards of Examiners in such cities and villages of this State as they in their judgment shall deem necessary, said Sub-Boards shall each consist of one master barber and one journeyman barber, and shall possess the same qualifications, receive the same compensation and have the same power as the said Board of Examiners of the State of Maryland, while conducting the examinations hereinafter provided for; said Sub-Boards shall be subject at all times to the jurisdiction and control of the Board of "Barber Examiners of the State of Maryland,' and shall serve during the pleasure of said State Board. The Sub-Boards shall report the result of their examinations without delay, to the State Board of Examiners, and the latter shall issue certificates of qualification to the persons who have qualified in said examinations.

Sec. 6—No person shall hereafter practice the occupation of a barber in this State unless such person shall have first received a certificate of qualification from the Board of Examiners provided for in Section 1 of this Act, for the purpose of examining applicants for certificates of qualification as barbers. The said Board of Examiners shall appoint the time and places for holding examinations. Such appointment shall be made with due regard to the convenience of the applicants and the public service. Said Board of Examiners shall prescribe the mode and manner of conducting such examinations, said State Board to conduct examinations, or said Board may designate a sub-board to conduct such examinations. Said Board of Examiners is authorized to incur all expense necessary to carry out, in a prompt and efficient manner, the provisions of this Act, and to pay the same out of any money in the hands of the Treasurer of said Board; except, however, said Board of Examiners shall not incur any expense or obligation for which the State of Maryland shall be liable.

Sec. 7—Each person filing his application for examination shall pay to the Treasurer of the said board of examiners the sum of five dollars, which sum shall be returned in case said applicant shall fail to pass said examination. Such payment shall constitute a part of the fund to pay the compensation and expenses of said board. The Board shall keep a list of the names and places of business of all persons to whom certificates of qualifications are granted under the provisions of this Act, in a book provided for that purpose, with the names arranged in alphabetical order, and said book shall at all times be open to public inspection.

Sec. 8.—Every person now engaged in the business of a barber in this State shall, within three months after the passage of this Act, file an affidavit with the Secretary of said Board, setting forth his name, place of business, post office address, the length of time he has been engaged in the business of a barber, and pay to the Treasurer the sum of one dollar for the certificate provided for in this Act.

Sec. 9.—Said Board shall furnish to each person to whom a certificate of registration is issued, a card or insignia bearing the seal of the Board and the signatures of its president and secretary, certifying that the holder thereof is entitled to practice the occupation of a barber in this

State; and it shall be the duty of the holder of such card or insignia to post the same in a conspicuous place in the shop where he is working, where it may be readily seen by all persons whom he may serve.

Sec. 10—Said Board of Examiners shall have power to revoke any certificate of registration granted it under this Act, for (A) conviction of felony; (B) habitual drunkenness six months immediately preceding a charge duly made; (C) gross incompetence, or (D) the use of unclean towels, cups, or any other unclean utensils used by barbers, which are liable to spread contagious or infectious diseases; provided, that before any certificate shall be so revoked the holder thereof shall have notice in writing of the charge or charges against him, and shall, at a day and place specified in said notice, at least ten days after the service thereof, be given a public hearing and full opportunity to produce testimony in his behalf or to confront the witnesses against him. Any person whose certificate has been so revoked, may, after the expiration of three months, apply to have the same regranted, and the same shall be regranted to him upon a satisfactory showing that the disqualification has ceased.

Sec. 11.—The Board shall cause to be made and filed with the State Comptroller, on or before the 1st day of December of each year, a report showing the receipts and disbursements of said Board and the balance in the hands of the treasurer of said Board, together with a statement of the amount of such balance necessary to be held in the hands of the said treasurer to meet the expenses of the ensuing year. The Comptroller shall thereupon make and file in his office an estimate of the amount of such balance necessary to be held by said Board for the purpose hereinbefore stated, which sum may be retained by said Board for said purposes, and the balance of said surplus paid by the treasurer of said Board into the State Treasury.

Sec. 12.—Upon the report of a member of the State Board of Examiners, duly appointed as herein provided, or a member of a Sub-board of Examiners in a city or village of the State, that a barbershop is in an unsanitary condition, said Board of State Examiners shall be empowered to call upon the State or Local Board of Health to declare such shop a public nuisance, and should the proprietor of said shop fail to abolish said nuisance within a period of thirty days after a notice to do so by either the State or Local Board of Health, the Board of Examiners provided for in this Act shall be empowered to call upon the aforesaid Board to abolish the aforesaid public nuisance.

Sec. 13—To shave, trim the beard, or cut the hair of any person for hire or reward, received by the person performing such service, or any other person, shall be construed as practicing the occupation of a barber within the meaning of this Act. This Act shall not in any way apply to or effect any person who is now occupied or working as a barber in this State, nor any person employed in a barber shop, or an apprentice, except that a person so employed less than three years prior to the passage of this Act, shall be considered an apprentice, and at the expiration of such three years of such employment shall be subject to the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 14.—Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not less than thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 15.—This Act shall take effect ninety days after the passage thereof.

Approved April 1, 1904.

STOCK OF INS. AND ACC'T COS.

CHAPTER 251.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact the following with amendments: Section 85M of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporations," sub-title, "General Regulations," and to add an additional section to be designated as 85N providing for calling in and cancelling the stock of any such company.

Sec. 1—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 85M of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporations," subtitle 'General Regulations," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows, and an additional section to be known as section 85N, shall be added to said Article to follow section 85M, to read as follows:

85M—Every life insurance company and accident insurance company incorporated under the laws of this State, and every safe deposit, trust, guaranty, loan and fidelity company or association incorporated under any law of this or any other State, district or territory of the United States or any foreign country receiving money on deposit or assuming any obligation in this State, may, as the security on deposit now or hereafter required by law to be deposited with the Treasury of Maryland by laws, and especially by Sections 85E and 116 of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporations," transfer and assign to said Treasurer such first mortgage bonds of electric railways of this State as may be approved by the Board of Public Works, in lieu of the kinds of securities now required by law to be deposited with said Treasurer; or said companies may in lieu of said securities transfer and assign to said Treasurer bonds secured by a first mortgage on real estate situated in the State of Maryland and owned by the company required by law to make such deposit whenever such bonds may be approved as security by the Board of Public Works. If at any time the Board of Public Works shall find that the bonds approved by them have either fallen in value or have ceased to be proper security to be held by said Treasurer, then the said Board shall direct any company having any of said bonds on deposit with him as security as aforesaid, to either deposit an additional number of bonds with said Treasurer or to withdraw the said bonds entirely and substitute bonds of a different kind in their place; if the said company or companies owning said bonds shall fail, within ten days from the receipt of a notice from the Treasurer to that effect, to alter, in-

crease the number of said bonds on deposit or substitute bonds of a different kind in their places, as the Board of Public Works may order, then the said company or companies shall be treated as being in default and shall be subject to all the penalties imposed on said companies for doing business in this State without depositing the proper securities with the said Treasurer as now or hereafter provided by law.

Sec. 85N—It shall be lawful for the stockholders of any life insurance, accident insurance, safe deposit, trust or fidelity company, created by special law or special act, in general meeting assembled from time to time to provide for calling in and cancelling the whole or any part of the capital stock and issuing other stock thereof, at such par value as they shall decide on, to an amount not exceeding the true value of such stock, in such manner as to provide such contingent fund or surplus not represented by stock as they may decide to be necessary, provided, that notice of every such meeting of stockholders shall be given in the manner required by sections 76 and 77 of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws and the proceedings thereafter shall be similar to those prescribed in sections 77 and 78 of said Article.

Sec. 2—And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 4, 1904.

CHAIRS FOR SALESLADIES.

CHAPTER 287.

AN ACT to repeal Article 27, Section 147A, of the Code of Public General Laws, title, "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health, Salesladies, Chairs For," and re-enact the same with amendments.

Sec. 1—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Article 27, Section 147A, of the Code of Public General Laws, title, "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Health, salesladies, chairs for," is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

147A.—All proprietors or owners of any retail, jobbing or wholesale dry goods store, notion, millinery or any other business where any female salepeople or other female help are employed for the purpose of serving the public, shall provide a chair or stool for each one of such female help, in order that when they are not actively engaged in making sales or taking stock or in performing such other duties as they may have been engaged to perform, they shall have an opportunity to rest, and they shall not be forbidden to avail themselves of such opportunity.

Any such owner or proprietor who shall neglect or refuse to obey the provisions of this section shall be considered to have committed a midemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in an amount not less than ten dollars ($10), nor more than one hundred dollars ($100), for the first offense; and in the event that such proprietor or owner shall continue to disobey the provisions of this section, he shall be subject to a fine at the rate of one dollar ($1.00) a day, daily, for every chair or stool he fails to so furnish his said employees.

It shall be the duty of the Board or Department of Health or Health Commissioner or Commissioners of the cities and towns in the State to cause this section to be enforced, and whenever any of its provisions are violated to cause all violators thereof to be prosecuted, and for that purpose the Health Commissioner or Commissioners and the officer or officers of the Board of Health of every city and town in the State, or the inspectors thereof, or any other persons designated by such Board of Health, or Health Commisioner or Commissioners are authorized and empowered to visit and inspect at all reasonable hours and as often as shall be practicable and necessary all mercantile establishments in the city or town in which the office of the said Board or Department of Health or Health Commissioner or Commissioners is situated, and it shall be unlawful for any person to interfere with or obstruct any such inspecting official while in performance of his or her duties or to refuse to properly and truthfuly answer questions made pertinent by this section, when asked by such inspecting official.

Sec. 2—And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect thirty (30) days from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

LIABILITY OF STOCKHOLDERS.

CHAPTER 337.

AN ACT to add an additional Section to Article twenty-three of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations" sub-title "General Regulations" to follow immediately after Section 85L of said Article to be known as Section 85L, one (1) of said article relating to the liability of stockhodlers to creditors and depositors of safe deposit, trust, guarantee, loan and fidelity companies.

Sec 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new section be and the same is hereby added to article twenty-three of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporations," sub-title "General Regulations" to follow immediately after Section 85L of said Article and to appear therein as Section 85L one (1) and to read as follows·

85L one (1). The exclusive remedy for the enforcement against stockholders of all rights existing under the Code of Public General Laws Article 23 ection 85 L as said section stood before the repeal thereof by the Act of 1904 entitled "An Act to repeal section 85L of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws title "Corporations," sub-title "General Regulations," as enacted by the Acts of 1892, Chapter 109, and to re-enact the same with amendments," and existing at the time of the passage thereof, and which were declared by said Act not to be affected by the terms thereof shall be, as against stockholders residing in the State of Maryland, by Bill in equity in the nature of a Creditors' Bill filed against such stockholders by one or more creditors on behalf of themselves and all other Creditors of the Corporation who may come in and make themselves parties thereto, in a Court having jurisdiction within the limits of the County or the City of Baltimore in which, as the case may be the principal office of

the Corporation is situated at the time of the filing of the Bill, or, in case any such Corporation has, by reason of having been placed in the hands of a Receiver, or from any other cause, ceased to have any principal office at the time of the filing of the Bill, then the Bill shall be filed in a Court having jurisdiction within the limits of the County or the City of Baltimore in which as the case may be, the said Corporation had its last principal place of business; and to any such Bill stockholders residing beyond the limits of the State of Maryland may become parties defendant, and upon so becoming parties, shall not be proceeded against in any other State or Territory or in the District of Columbia in respect of any liability imposed by the said Section 85L as said section stood before the repeal thereof and which existed at the time of the passage of the Act of 1904 hereinbefore referred to. This Section shall become operative as of January first, nineteen hundred and three, and shall cause the abatement of all actions at law which shall have been brought against said stockholders since that date to enforce any liability created by section 85L as said section stood before the repeal thereof, and which existed at the time of the passage of the Act of 1904 hereinbefore referred to; provided, however, that as to any plaintiff or plaintiffs in any of said abated suits who shall within sixty days from the passage of this Act, become a party or parties to a Bill in Equity of the character mentioned in this section, then as regards the operation of the statute of Limitation upon the claims so sued on, the time elapsed between the institution of said abated suits and the time of such plaintiff or plaintiffs becoming a party or parties to said Bill in Equity, shall be excluded in ascertaining the period within which suits are required to be brought by the said statute of Limitations. The costs taxable to any plaintiff or plaintiffs in any action at law which shall be abated under the provisions of this section, the plaintiff or plaintiffs in which action shall become a party or parties to a Bill in Equity under the provisions of this Section, shall become a part of the costs taxable in the proceedings in said Equity case.

Sec. 2.—And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 12, 1904.

EDUCATION FOR DEAF MUTES.

CHAPTER 299.

AN ACT to amend Article 77 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Public Education," by adding three sections under the sub-title "School Attendance," to follow Section 138, and to be numbered as Sections 139, 140, 141.

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following sections be and they are hereby added to Article 77 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Public Education," under the subtitle "School Attendance, to follow Section 138, and to be numbered and designated as Sections 139, 140, 141.

139. That every child between eight and sixteen years of age, whose hearing is so defective that he or she cannot attend public school, shall attend some school for the deaf for eight months during the scholastic year, unless it can be shown that the child is elsewhere receiving regularly thorough instruction during the said period in the studies usually taught in the said public schools to children of the same age; provided that the superintendent or principal of any school for the deaf, or persons duly authorized by such superintendent or principal, may excuse cases of necessary absence among its enrolled pupils; and provided, further, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to a child whose mental or paysical condition is such as to render its instruction, as above described, inexpedient or impracticable. Every person having under his control a child between eight and sixteen years of age shall cause such child to attend school or receive instruction as required by this section.

140. Any person who has such a child under his control and who fails to comply with any of the provisions of the preceding section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined not exceeding five dollars for each offense.

141. Any person who induces or attempts to induce any deaf child to absent himself or herself unlawfully from school or employs or harbors while his or her school is in session any such child absent unlawfully from such school shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not more than fifty dollars.

Approved April 7, 1904.

LANDLORD AND TENANT.

CHAPTER 568.

AN ACT to repeal Section seventeen, Article fifty-three, of the Code of Public General Laws, title 'Landlord and Tenant,' as repealed and re-enacted by the Act of eighteen hundred and eighty, Chapter three hundred and ten, exempting certain Articles from distress for rent, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Section 1—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section seventeen of Article fifty-three, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Landlord and Tenant," as repealed and re-enacted by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the session of eighteen hundred and eighty, chapter three hundred and ten, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

17—The following property shall be exempted from distress for rent, to wit: Every spinning wheel, loom, sewing machine, typewriter, stove, piano, organ or other musical instrument, rented, hired or loaned to the tenant, and every horse, carriage, and harness, whip and robe, saddle and bridle, not the property of the tenant, in any livery stable or which may be stored with any keeper of any livery stable, or in any other place, outhouse, barn of the tenant, and all property of any boarder or sojourner at any hotel, tavern, public or private boarding house, and any vehicle not the property of the tenant, in any shop for repairs.

Sec. 2.—And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.

STATE BOARD OF UNDERTAKERS.

CHAPTER 389.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 1, 8 and 9 of Chapter 160 of the Acts of 1902, entitled, 'An Act to create the State Board of Undertakers of Maryland, and to prescribe the powers and duties of the said board,' and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 1, 8 and 9 of Chapter 160 of the Acts of 1902, entitled "An Act to create and establish the State Board of Undertakers of Maryland, and to prescribe the powers and duties of the said board," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a board composed of eight members be and the same is hereby created and established, to be known as the State Board of Undertakers, of Maryland, and the powers and duties of the said board prescribed.

Sec. 8.—Before any person, copartnership or corporation shall hereafter engage in the business of undertaking in the State of Maryland and before any member of any such copartnership, assistant or employee of any such person, co-partnership, or corporation or officer of such corporation whose duties will engage him or her in care, preparation, disposition or burial of the dead shall discharge the duties of such business, employment or office, and before any person, co-partnership or corporation now so engaged in said business of undertaking in this State; and before any member of such co-partnership, assistant or employee of any such person, co-partnership or corporation or officer of such corporation, whose duties now engage him or her in the care, preparation, disposition, or burial of the dead, who shall have failed to register with the said board in accordance with Section 7 of this Act, shall then continue in such business, such persons, co-partnerships, corporations, members of such co-partnerships and all assistants and employees of any such persons, co-partnerships, corporations, and officers of such corporations, whose duties engage him or her in the care, preparation, disposition or burial of the dead, shall apply to the said board for a license to practice the same; thereupon the applicant as aforesaid shall present himself or herself before said board at a time and place to be fixed by said board, and the said board shall find upon due examination that the applicant has been employed at least two years prior to said application by some person, firm or corporation actively engaged in the work of practical embalming and undertaking and is of good moral character, possessed of skill and knowledge of the said business, and has a reasonable knowledge of sanitation, preservation of the dead, disinfecting the body of a diseased person, the apartment, clothing and bedding, in case of death resulting from infectious or contagious disease, the board shall issue to said applicant, upon the payment of a fee of twenty dollars, a license to practice said business of undertaking in the State of Maryland, and shall register such applicant as a duly licensed undertaker; provided, however, that such license shall be issued to a corporation upon application therefor, and, provided, further, that one license as required by this section and Section 10, of this Act, shall suffice for all the members of a co-partnership when issued in the firm name. Such license shall be signed by a majority of the board and attested by its seal. All persons, co-partnerships and corporations, immediately upon receiving the license provided in this section and in Section 10 of this Act, or the certificate of registration as provided in Section 7 of this Act, shall cause a copy of such license or certificate of registration to be filed in the office of the local Board of Health of Maryland in the respective county or in the city of Baltimore in which it is proposed to carry on said business, or engage in the discharge of such employment; said license or certificate of registration shall be displayed in a conspicuous place in the office or place of business of such licensee.

Sec. 9.—The board shall have power at any time to revoke, cancel or suspend any license heretofore granted, for and upon proper cause shown, and after a full hearing of all the parties in interest shall have been had. At said hearing testimony shall be given under oath administered by some person competent under the law to take affidavits and such testimony shall be taken down by shorthand by a competent stenographer appointed by said board, which testimony shall be typewritten and returned under the oath of said stenographer to said board.

Approved April 7, 1904.

INS. DEPARTMENT STATEMENTS.

CHAPER 376.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 23, The Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporation," subtitle "Insurance Department," to be known as section 123A and to follow section 123.

Sec. 1.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland that a new section be added to Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws title "Corporations," sub-title "Insurance Department," to be known as Section 135A and to follow section 135 and to read as follows:

135A. The statement or statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioners under Sections 135 of this Article may for the year ending December 31st, 1903, be transmitted on or before July 1st, 1904, in lieu of the time or times provided in section 135 of this Article, and the Insurance Commissioners shall not be required to publish abstracts of the said statement or statements as required by section 139 of this Article, nor his annual report to the Governor as he is required by sub-section 10 of Section 122 of this Article until September 1st, 1904.

Sec. 2.—And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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