

of any neglect or omission of duty, or incur any liability in not presenting for payment or acceptance, or collecting such bill of exchange, bank check, draft or promissory note on that day; and provided further, that in construing this section, every half-holiday Saturday shall, until twelve o'clock noon, be deemed as a secular or business day.

1892, ch. 462. 1898, ch. 198 (sec. 120C).

**279C.** Whenever any bill of exchange, bank check, draft or promissory note shall be presentable for payment in the City of Baltimore on the secular or business day next succeeding the day on which it would otherwise have been presentable for payment, interest on the same shall be computed down to and including such secular or business day.

### BUILDINGS.

1880, ch. 133. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, secs. 125-128, 131A, 131B. 1896, ch. 363.

**280.** It shall not be lawful for the owners or lessees of any public hall, church, school or place of amusement, in the Cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, Cumberland, Frederick, Hagerstown or Frostburg, to obstruct, or allow to be obstructed by others, any of the aisles or passage-ways in the auditorium of said halls, churches, schools or places of amusement, by placing therein any benches, chairs or stools, or other articles that may prevent free ingress or egress during the hours that said places may be open to the public. Said owners or lessees, or their agents, are required to keep open at all hours during the time said halls, churches, schools or places of amusement are open to the public, all doors giving ingress or egress, unless said doors open outward from said places; then the same may be closed, but no hindrances, such as locks or catches of any kind, shall be allowed to obstruct or prevent instant and easy egress through the same; and when said doors open inwards, it is required of said owners, lessees or their agents, that said doors shall be fastened securely and firmly open. Owners or lessees, or any person holding under them, or their agents, violating any of the provisions aforesaid, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined by the court before which such conviction is had for any violation, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be recovered as other fines in this State, one-half of which shall go to the State and the other half to the cities where such violations occur and convictions thereof are had. It is made the special duty of the Judge or Judges of the courts having criminal jurisdiction in said Cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, Cumberland, Frederick, Hagerstown and Frostburg, to especially charge the Grand Juries of said courts upon the execution of the foregoing provisions; and the police authorities of said cities are especially charged with the execution thereof, and to that end shall direct nightly examinations by some of their officers, of all such places. It shall not be lawful for any person, agent, owner or proprietor of any sweat-shop or factory where four or more persons are employed, to use any coal oil, gasoline, or any other explosive or inflammable compound for the purpose of lighting or heating in any form; and any