

newspapers of said city, for two weeks at least, and giving the bond hereinafter prescribed, shall be permitted to make contracts of insurance within this State, without making the payments provided for in the first section. CHAP. 25.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That before any foreign corporation shall be permitted to make contracts of insurance within this State, although they may have made the investment herein before provided for, the agent or agents of said corporations shall give bond to the State of Maryland, in the penal sum of twenty thousand dollars current money with sureties, to be approved by any judge of this State or the Mayor of the city of Baltimore, conditioned for the continuance of the whole of said investment, during the time policies effected by citizens of this State with the said agent or agents, may have to run, and conditioned for the payment of all losses for which the said corporation may be liable under said policies; and each creditor shall have a right of action on such bond in the same manner as if a separate bond was given for each creditor; *and provided*, that the giving such bond shall not prevent a creditor from pursuing any remedy he may, or would have had, if no bond had been required or given; *and provided also*, that such bond shall be recorded by the clerk of Baltimore county court, and a copy under the seal of that court shall be evidence. Before making contracts, to give bond.
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SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That upon any diminution of said investment, by sale or otherwise, the permission heretofore granted to the corporations respectively, making said investment, shall be revoked. Upon diminution of investment, revoked

CHAPTER 25.

A supplement to an act, passed at December session eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, relating to Sheriffs. Passed Mar. 17,
1840.

WHEREAS, by an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at December session eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, chapter two hundred and seventy-five, the clerk of each county in this State, shall in open court, at the commencement of each term of the county court of such county, administer to the Sheriff of each county of this State, an oath mentioned in the first section of said act; *and whereas*, the regular business of the term might be obstructed by the sickness or absence of that officer:—
Therefore,