as may from time to time be applied for by said Maryland Canal Company, which said convicts, whilst so hired out to said canal company, it shall be the duty of the said managers of the House of Correction to clothe, feed, and guard in all respects, so far as practicable, as if they were engaged at work within said House of Correction; and in payment of the compensation which may be agreed on Compensation. by and between said Maryland Canal Company and the said managers of the House of Correction, for the hire of such convicts, the said canal company shall issue to the said managers of the House of Correction and the said managers shall accept the stock of said Maryland Canal Company at such rates as may be mutually agreed on.

113. In order to enable the said managers of the House of Cor- 1878, c 358 rection to discharge the duties imposed upon them by this act, they etc are hereby vested with all powers necessary and proper, in their discretion, to provide transportation for said convicts to and from the place or places where they may be engaged at work, and whilst at work to furnish them at all times with sufficient and proper food and clothing.

114. The Maryland Canal Company are hereby authorized to 1878, c 858. enter into a contract with the board of managers of the Maryland House of Correction for the hire of convicts in such number and for such time as they may deem necessary for the purposes of this act, and they are authorized to work such convicts upon the construction of a canal from some point on the eastern bank of the Potomac river, near Bladensburg, in Prince George's county, to a point on the Patapsco river, near Elkridge landing, in Howard county, or at any other point or points, or line of said canal.

HOUSE OF REFUGE.

115. The subscribers to the House of Refuge are a body politic Art 78, s 1 and corporate, by the name and style of The House of Refuge, Subscribers and by that name and style shall have perpetual succession, with 40 Md 461, the power to have a common seal and to change the same at pleasure; to make contracts relative to said institution, to sue and be sued, and by that name and style shall be capable of purchasing, taking, holding, and conveying any estate, real or personal, for the use of said corporation, and to establish by-laws and orders for the regulation of said institution, and the preservation and application of the funds thereof.

116. Every person who hath subscribed the articles of said asso- Id s 2.
1830, e 64, s 2. ciation, or who shall hereafter subscribe the same, and pay to the who to be funds of said institution the sum of fifty dollars, or ten dollars and deemed members nually for the term of six years, shall be a member for life, and every person paying the sum of two dollars annually, shall be a member while he continues to contribute the said sum, such pay-