

tion of its board of directors appear to be advantageous to the said company; but no extension under this section shall be for a greater distance than twenty miles, unless the same shall have been previously ratified at a general or special meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose by a vote of at least a majority of the whole number of shares then issued and actually outstanding, and over such branches the said railroad shall have and exercise all of the rights, privileges, powers and franchises by the original certificate of incorporation or this amendment thereto granted in reference to its main line.

Right to
operate
telephone or
telegraph
lines.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That the said corporation shall have the right to operate telephone or telegraph lines along its said railway, and connect the same by other lines with such distant cities, towns or other places as may be to the advantage of said railway company in the discretion of its board of directors; provided, however, that said corporation shall in all respects be subject to the provisions of Chapter one hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the General Assembly of eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and all ordinances passed by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and shall be subject in every respect to the control of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore in so far as its operations may be carried on in the City of Baltimore, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to the contrary.

General
powers,
privileges, etc.,
with provisos.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That the said company shall have and enjoy all of the general powers, provisions and privileges contained in Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Corporations," the said article being known as the article providing for the formation, powers and regulations of corporations, so far as the same may not be inconsistent or in conflict with the special or general regulations or provisions, powers, rights and advantages conferred, or intended to be conferred, by this Act; provided, that the said company shall not thereby claim any special exemptions from taxation; and in the event of consolidation with any other railroad or railway company, as provided by Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws, under provisions of Section one hundred and ninety of said Article, whenever 80 per cent. of the holders of the capital stock of such corporations have agreed to such consolidation, then if any stockholder of either of the companies so consolidated and merged shall not assent thereto, or shall be dissatisfied therewith, and signify his or her dissent by notice in writing served on the president, secretary or treasurer of the company