

Power to unite
etc.

date with any railroad company or companies, either in or out of this State, so that the capital stock of said companies so united, connected and consolidated respectively, may, at the pleasure of the directors, constitute a common stock, and the respective companies may thereafter constitute one company and be entitled to all the rights, privileges and immunities which each of them possess, have and enjoy under and by virtue of their respective charters.

Lease and operate.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the Annapolis and Baltimore Short Line Railroad Company shall have the power to lease and operate any railroad or railroads, either in or out of this State, for the purpose of carrying on their business.

Increase capital stock.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Annapolis and Baltimore Short Line Railroad Company shall have power and authority to increase their capital stock not to exceed two millions of dollars, and to issue mortgage bonds, with coupons attached, in such amounts as they may deem advisable, for building, equipping and maintaining the said road, its extensions and branches, and its steamships, steamboats and barges, and its pleasure resorts and produce market, the said mortgage bonds to be made payable at such times and on such terms as the directors may determine; and the said company shall have also the power and authority, by their proper officers, to mortgage the said road, its extensions and branches, with all their personal and real estate, franchises, rights and privileges, for the security and payment of the said mortgage bonds and other obligations of the said company; and if they deem it advisable may lease the said road, its extensions and branches, and all or any of the property of the said company to any other corporation, individual or individuals, for such time and on such terms as they may deem best for the interests of the said company.

May mortgage roads.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same are hereby repealed; that this act shall take effect from the date of its passage; and that the General Assembly reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act at pleasure.

Approved May 3, 1882.