

junds of said company, and to place on any rail road, constructed by them under this act, all machines, wagons, vehicles, or carriages of any descriptions whatsoever, which they may deem necessary or proper, and they shall have power to charge for tolls upon, and the transportation of persons, goods, produce merchandize, or property of any kind whatsoever, transported by them along said rail way, any sum not exceeding the following rates, viz. on all goods, produce, merchandize, or property of any description whatsoever, *transported by them*, not exceeding two cents a ton per mile for tolls for CARS NOT OWNED BY THE COMPANY; and four cents a ton per mile for transportation; on passengers, not exceeding four cents per mile for each passenger and baggage, not weighing more than fifty pounds, or occupying a space of more than two cubic feet; and it *shall not be lawful for any other company or any person or persons whatsoever, to travel upon, or use any of the roads* of said company, or to transport persons, merchandize, produce or property of any description whatsoever, along said road, or any of them, *without the license or permission* of the President and Directors of said company; and that the said road or roads, with all their works, improvements and profits, and all the machinery of transportation used on said road are hereby vested in the said company incorporated by this act and their successors forever; and the shares of the capital stock of the said company, shall be deemed and considered personal estate.

Sec. 26. And be it enacted, That the Baltimore and Port Deposit Rail Road Company shall have power to contract with any duly authorised officer, agent, or contractor with the government of the United States, for the conveyance or transportation of persons and property on said rail road or roads, to be made under this act, for the use of the United States, on such terms as shall be approved of by the proper officer of, or contractor with the said government; and the said company shall have *power to make special contracts* with any authorized officer or agent of the State of Maryland, or of any other of the United States, or *with any* corporation, co-partnership, or individuals, for the exclusive use of any car, or part of a car, or wagons on said rail road or roads for a limited time or distance; and for the transportation thereon of horses and other living animals, and of carriages, furniture, plate, jewelry and machinery of any description, on such terms *as may be agreed on* by the parties.

Sec. 27. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the President and Directors of the Baltimore and Port Deposit Rail Road Company aforesaid, or a majority of them, to regulate, ascertain and fix, from time to time, the price or sum to be charged and taken by said company for receiving, weighing, delivering, and storage of merchandize, produce and other articles; and for the transportation of any single bale, box, or parcel of merchandize or other articles, not exceeding *two hundred and fifty pounds* weight; provided that nothing herein contained, shall be construed to prevent the General Assembly of Maryland from *altering, fixing and controlling* said