Public General Laws, title "Juries," shall be placed by said judges, or either of them, in said compartments of said box, respectively, which bear the numbers of the districts where the persons so selected respectively reside; and it shall be the duty of said judges, or either of them, when selecting the panel of one hundred and fifty persons, as provided for in Section seven of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, to distribute the names of the persons on said panel as nearly equal as may be possible among said compartments, or may, in his or their discretion, distribute said names among all the said compartments in proportion to the male population of the several districts who may be eligible for jury duty, and the said judge or judges shall draw from all the said compartments an equal number of names, or such a number of names as may be in proportion to the male population of the respective districts who are eligible for jury duty as afore-

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all that portion of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland inconsistent herewith, be and the same is hereby repealed as far as the same may apply to Howard County.

Approved March 27, 1900.

CHAPTER 122.

AN ACT to enlarge the powers and privileges of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company, a corporation duly created under and pursuant and Norfolk to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly passed at the session of eighteen hundred and eighty-two, Chapter two hundred and fifty-six, shall, in addition to its present corporate powers, have and be possessed of power to consoli- privileges endate and merge its railroad and property with any other railroad company or companies either in or out of this State, so that the capital stock of said companies so consolidated and merged shall constitute a common stock, equal in amount, character and par value to the authorized capital stock of the companies so consolidated and merged, and the respective companies shall thereafter constitute one company, and be entitled to all the property franchises, and rights, privileges and immunities which each of the companies so consolidating are possessed of and enjoy under their respect-

Powers and