SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1900.

CHAPTER 227.

AN ACT to amend the Charter and enlarge the powers of the Maryland Telephone and Telegraph Company of Baltimore City.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Telephone and Telegraph Com-Maryland relephone and pany of Baltimore City is a corporation originally formed and Telegraph Co. organized under the General Incorporation Laws of the State of Balto. City. of Maryland by a certificate of incorporation bearing date of Maryland, by a certificate of incorporation, bearing date the 8th day of January, 1800, under the corporate name of the Writing Telegraph Company of Baltimore City; and

amended.

WHEREAS, By an amendment of its charter dated the ninth day of July eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and recorded among the charter records of Baltimore City, the name of said corporation was changed from that of the Writing Telegraph Company of Baltimore City to the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company of Baltimore City, under which latter name it was authorized by Ordinance No. 110, of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, approved on the first day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, to establish its system in Baltimore City, and

WHEREAS, The name of said corporation was subsequently changed by a further amendment of its charter, dated the sixteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and recorded among the charter records of Baltimore City, to that of the Maryland Telephone and Telegraph Company of Baltimore City.

Additional powers.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in addition to the powers of the said Maryland Telephone and Telegraph Company of Baltimore City under the laws of this State now in force, and the said ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore upon the acceptance of this Act by the stockholders of said company, the directors of the said company be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to elect from among their number an executive committee consisting of five directors, which committee is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise all the powers legally vested in the board of directors when the said board is not in session.