

rated in the State of Maryland, for the purpose of constructing a railroad in said State, to unite with the railroad provided for in this Act, so that the capital stock of the said Companies respectively shall 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, or this Company may contract with such Company or Companies, on any other terms for the conveyance and transportation of passengers or freight, or with any individual for passengers or freight, or any individual whatsoever; provided, that such contract be not prohibited by the laws of Maryland.

Authenticated

Sec. 21. *And be it enacted*, That a copy of said agreement of union to be formed shall within four months from the date thereof, authenticated by the seals of the corporations, and the signatures of their respective President, be deposited and recorded among the land records of Wicomico County.

Injure and
destroy.

Sec. 22. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons shall willfully, by any means whatsoever, injure, impair or destroy any part of any railroad constructed by said Company, under this Act, or any of the necessary works, buildings, carriages, vehicles or machinery of said Company, such person or persons so offending shall each of them, for every such offence, forfeit and pay to said Company the actual damages sustained, which may be recovered in the name of said Company by an action of debt, before any Justice of the Peace, or in the Circuit Court of the county in which said damages shall be sustained, and also be subject to an indictment in the Circuit Court for the county where such offences may be committed, and upon conviction of such offence shall be punished by fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court.

Telegraph.

Sec. 23. *And be it enacted*, That the said Company shall have the right to construct a line or lines of wire or telegraph on any routes over which by their charter they have the right to construct a railroad, and for that purpose shall be entitled to the benefits of all the provisions contained in the twenty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, from Section one hundred and two to Section one hundred and twenty-one, inclusive, or