

or delivered to the President and Directors of the said company until the whole line of the said railroad is under contract, with a reasonable prospect of its completion from the town of Vienna to the point at which it intersects the Dorchester and Delaware Railroad.

Exempt from taxation. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said bonds, when issued, shall be exempt from all taxation for county purposes.

To vote upon. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That at the next regular election for members of the House of Delegates, this Act shall be submitted to a vote of the persons legally qualified to vote at said election for members of the House of Delegates, and at said election it shall be lawful for each person qualified to vote, as aforesaid, besides the vote which he may cast for the candidates at said election, to cast a separate and distinct ballot, on which shall be written or printed the words, "For Railroad Subscription," or the words, "Against Railroad Subscription," as the case may be; and it shall be the duty of the Judges of Election in said county to receive said separate ballots, and deposit the same in boxes different from those in which the ballots cast for candidates at said election are deposited; and the said Judges shall accurately count and duly return to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, the number of votes cast for railroad subscription, and the number of votes cast against railroad subscription, and the said clerk shall, within twenty days after the receipt of said returns, by proclamation, inserted in the newspapers published in said county, announce the result of the said vote.

Separate ballot.

To count ballots.

To be published. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall be published in the newspapers published in the said county for two months preceding the next election of members of the House of Delegates, and shall be subject to the approval of a majority of all the members elected to each House of the General Assembly of Maryland at its next session after said election.

Approved April 1, 1872.