Company be, and it is hereby authorized and em- Authorized powered to enter into a contract or contracts with the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company, the Northern Central Railway Company and the Union Railroad Company of Baltimore or any of them for the use of the tracks of said company, or any of them, within the limits of the City of Baltimore and to tide-water at Canton, and that any contract or contracts heretofore made for that purpose, shall have the same effect as though the same had been made after this act of Assembly had gone into effect.

- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the said Western Maryland Railroad Company, be and it is Lessee. hereby authorized to be the lessee of the line of railroad connecting the railroad of said company with the village of Emmittsburg in Frederick county.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the Western Maryland Railroad Company, be and it is hereby To acquire. authorized and empowered to acquire, hold and dispose of any real or leasehold property and estate in the City of Baltimore, which the president and directors of said company or a majority of them, shall deem necessary for depots, engine houses, or other purposes appropriate to its business, whether such property be adjacent to the railroad of said company or seperated from it, and capable of being used only by means of the tracks of some of the other railroad companies mentioned in the first section of this act.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That for the acquisition of such property or the use and occupation of the same, the said Western Maryland Railroad Company Powers. shall possess all the powers for condemnation as well as negotiation, provided by the act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at January session eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter seventyone, and entitled "An act to amend the act incorporating the Western Maryland Railroad Company, and to give additional powers to said company."

· Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That none of the provisions of this act shall be of any effect or force whatever, unless said company shall first consent and Any effect. agree that all of the property of said company shall