

May charter
or build
boats, etc.

steamboats, tugs, barges, lighters and other vessels to ply in connection with said railroad to any port or ports, place or places whatsoever, and to connect with any other railroad, steamship or steamboat line or company for the transportation of freight and passengers.

Right to con-
solidate with
other rail-
roads.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said Baltimore and Southwestern Railroad Company shall have power to unite, connect and consolidate with any railroad company or companies either in or out of this State, so that the capital stock of said companies so united, connected and consolidated, respectively, may, at the pleasure of the directors, constitute a common stock, and the respective companies may thereafter constitute one company, and be entitled to all the property, franchises, rights and privileges and immunities which each of them possess, have and enjoy under and by virtue of their respective charters.

Power to oper-
ate other rail-
roads by pur-
chase of
same.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the Baltimore and Southwestern Railroad Company shall have power to lease or purchase and operate any railroad or railroads, either in or out of this State, for the purpose of carrying on their business, and any other railroad company in this State shall have the right to lease or sell its railroad or other property to the said Baltimore and Southwestern Railroad Company.

Adopting
route or
routes.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the said board of directors of said corporation shall have the power and right to adopt any route or routes for the said railroad, between the termini mentioned in this Act, as to them shall seem most suitable and proper, and shall have power, when necessary, to cross all navigable rivers, streams or creeks, as well as rivers, streams and creeks not navigable, by suitable bridges or causeways, and also the right to cross the lines of other railroads and condemn easements therein.

Capital stock
and privi-
leges.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the capital stock of said company shall be five hundred thousand dollars, with the privilege to increase the same to three million dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which shall be collected by the directors of said railroad company in such instalments and at such times and places as they may appoint and require, and if any subscriber to said corporate stock shall neglect or fail to pay any instalments or part or parts of their subscriptions thus demanded, for the space of twenty days next after the time the same shall be due and payable, the stock on which it is demanded shall, at the pleasure of said directors, be forfeited to the company and sold for