

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

Filing of certificate.

spectively, under their respective seals, setting forth the terms of such consolidation: the said certificate shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of this State. When said certificate shall be filed the said consolidation shall be considered completed.

Directors.

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted*, That the board of directors or managers of said corporation shall consist of not fewer than five or more than twenty-five members thereof.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 12, 1904.

CHAPTER 353.

AN ACT to incorporate the Southern Maryland Telephone Company.

Southern Maryland Telephone Company.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That John B. Ballenger, J. Frances Coale, George M. Thomas, Zachariah R. Morgan and L. Johnston Canter, their successors and assigns, are hereby created and constituted a body corporate under the name of the Southern Maryland Telephone Company, and by that name shall have perpetual succession and shall be capable to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of law or equity, to make and use a common seal and to alter the same at pleasure, to receive and make deals and contracts, to acquire by purchase or in any other manner not inconsistent with law, and deal with any property, real, personal or mixed, which may be necessary or proper to enable said corporation to carry out its operations and fulfill the purposes named in this Act, and generally to do every other act and thing not inconsistent with law which may be necessary or proper to promote the objects, designs and purposes for which this corporation is formed.

Capital stock.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the capital stock of said body corporate shall consist of five hundred shares of the par value of ten dollars each, and when the par value of any share shall have been fully paid, the holders thereof shall not be in any way liable to the creditors of the corporation; and said body corporate shall have the right to increase its capital stock from time to time by a vote of the stockholders at a special meeting or meetings to be called and held for that purpose to any sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

Right to install and operate telephone plants.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said body corporate shall have the right to install, maintain and operate telephone plants and exchanges, to build, construct, equip, lease, own, acquire,