

## LAWS OF MARYLAND.

land, and the supplements and amendments thereto; the said Article being the Article providing for the formation, powers and regulations of corporations, so far as the same may not be inconsistent or in conflict with the special or general regulations or provisions, powers, rights and advantages conferred or intended to be conferred by this Act, and that said corporation shall especially have the power to acquire land or rights and easements therein or thereon by purchase or by condemnation under the regulations and provisions set forth in said Article 23, of the Code of Public General Laws and the amendments or supplements thereto.

To borrow  
money and  
issue bonds.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said body corporate shall have the power to borrow money in such sums as may be necessary or proper to enable it to carry out its corporate purposes and to issue its bonds or other obligations for the money so borrowed, and to secure payment of the same by a mortgage or mortgages, or by deed or deeds of trust of any part or all of its corporate property and franchises, and that the said corporation duly incorporated shall have the right to levy and collect tolls, rents or charges or to contract for the same, for the use of its said lines, exchanges, apparatus, service and facilities, and for the transmission of messages, intelligence or information, whether with or without wires or by other means or systems as aforesaid.

Can unite with  
other tele-  
phone com-  
panies.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said body corporate shall have the right and power at any time to unite or consolidate with any other telephone company or companies which may be incorporated for the purposes set forth in this Act, or which may be authorized to exercise the powers conferred on the corporation hereby incorporated, whether such company or companies shall have been heretofore or shall be hereafter incorporated by virtue of or by the general laws of this State, or by any special law or Act, and any such company or companies with which the corporation hereby incorporated is by this Act authorized to unite or consolidate are hereby equally authorized to unite or consolidate with the corporation by this Act incorporated. The power to consolidate conferred by this Act shall include the power to fix the terms of such consolidation, the amount and character of the capital stock of the corporation formed by such consolidation not exceeding in the whole amount the aggregate authorized capital of the constituent corporations, the shares of stock and consideration to be issued or paid to the stockholders of the constituent corporations, the name of the consolidated cor-