structing its railroad from said Big Pool westward through Complying Washington County, on the northern side of the Potomac with Act of 1902. river, and through Allegany County on the northern side thereof, and crossing and recrossing said Potomac river to and from certain places in Morgan and Mineral Counties, West Virginia, and running south of and near the city of Cumberland, and again crossing said river into Mineral County, West Virginia, connecting there with the system of the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg Railway Company near the city of Cumberland; and.

WHEREAS, On account of the mountainous and declivitous Locating a condition of a portion of the land traversed by said route, it has route along C. & O. Canal been necessary for said railroad company, in selecting the most practicable route for its railroad, to locate a portion of the same upon certain strips and parcels of land on the berme or northern side of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, owned by the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, which said strips and parcels of said berme side of said canal are not necessary to the integrity of said canal as a waterway and are not necessary to the use and operation thereof, or in transportation on the same; and.

WHEREAS, In the said location of its said line of railroad it Plans of has been necessary for said railroad to cross said canal and bridges apriver going into and returning from said State of West Virginia, and said company has located seven places in Allegany County where it is necessary to cross said canal with its railroad, and in pursuance of Section 177 of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, said railroad company did make application to the Board of Public Works of Maryland for its approval of the plans of the bridges and other fixtures designed by said railroad company for effecting the said crossings at said places, which plans, after amendment by the Board of Public Works, were approved on the 9th day of September, 1903, by it; and.

proved by Board of Public Works

WHEREAS, In order to enable said Western Maryland Rail-Additional road Company to fully carry out its said charter powers, and powers given. the requirements of said Act of 1902, regarding said extension, and to complete the same, it is proper and expedient that its said acts be approved and that it be given additional powers as hereinafter set forth in this Act; now, therefore,

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary-Acts approved. land. That all Acts done by the Western Maryland Railroad Company in locating its proposed railroad from Big Pool west-