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purchased several tracts of land, at or near the mouth of Savage river, in Allegany county, containing extensive and valuable mines of coal, iron and other minerals; and that the interests of this State will be promoted, and the trade of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, and Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, in which the State has so large a pecuniary interest will be greatly increased by the working of said mines, and by the construction of a canal, or of a slack water navigation by lock and dam, with appropriate railways, connecting said mines, and the extensive and valuable mineral region in which they are situate with the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, and the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road:—Therefore,

Persons incorporated

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Duff Green, James Lyon, Reverdy R. Welford, William M. Green, Richard K. Cralle, Archibald M. Green and Robert Hord, and all and every person or persons who may become subscribers in the manner hereinafter prescribed, shall be and they are hereby incorporated by the name of the Union Company, for the purposes of making, constructing, keeping in repair and carrying on a canal or a slack-water navigation, by lock and dam from the basin of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, at or near Cumberland, in, along or near the Potomac river, to the mouth of the Savage river, in Allegany county, and thence up said river, and the Potomac river and George's creek, to such point or points on said rivers and George's creek as they may deem it expedient to terminate the same at, and of connecting the same, or the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road with their mines and manufactures, by such Railway or Railways, as they may deem necessary for that purpose; and also for erecting, constructing and carrying on mills and manufactories of iron and other articles, of which iron is a component part, and for opening, working and transporting to market the produce of their mines, lands, mills and manufactories; and for the purchase, transportation and sale of goods, chattels and effects; and that for said purposes, they shall be a body politic and corporate, by the name aforesaid, and as such*

Objects defined

Powers conferred