

Municipal Corporations.

An. Code, sec. 259. 1904, sec. 241. 1888, sec. 157. 1876, ch. 367.

193. Any municipal corporation in this State, against which there is a judgment or decree in any court of law or equity in this State, shall have power to levy a sum of money upon the assessable property of such municipality sufficient to pay such judgments.

For the purpose of the remedy provided by this section, a judgment rendered by a justice of the peace may be regarded as a judgment of a court of law. If the municipality refuses to make the required levy to pay the judgment, mandamus lies. *Darling v. Baltimore*, 51 Md. 14. And see *Watts v. Port Deposit*, 46 Md. 505.

Railroad Companies.

An. Code, sec. 260. 1904, sec. 242. 1888, sec. 158. 1876, ch. 242.

194. Any number of natural persons, not less than five, three of whom shall be citizens of Maryland, may become a body corporate, with all the rights, privileges and powers conferred by and subject to all the restrictions of sections 194 to 273 of this article.

The general railroad law of this state is a remedial statute and to be liberally construed. Good faith and reasonable certainty only, are required. *Piedmont, etc., Ry. Co. v. Speelman*, 67 Md. 272; *Union R. R. Co. v. Canton R. R. Co.*, 105 Md. 17; *Hyattsville v. Washington R. Co.*, 120 Md. 130.

The general incorporation act of 1868, ch. 471, only made provision for the construction of railways *outside* the limits of the city of Baltimore, and the act of 1870, ch. 476 (for which the act of 1876, ch. 242 was a substitute), was not limited to roads similar to those upon which steam was used as a motive power. *Oler v. Baltimore, etc., R. R. Co.*, 41 Md. 588; *Hyattsville v. Washington, etc., R. Co.*, 120 Md. 130.

For the regulations concerning carriers prescribed in the act creating the public service commission, see sec. 362, *et seq.*

As to passenger railway companies, see sec. 314, *et seq.*

As to railroads built and operated by mining companies, see sec. 180, *et seq.*

As to special police officers appointed for railroads and steamboats, see sec. 338, *et seq.*

As to the taxation of railroad companies, see art. 81, secs. 172, 204, 213, 223 and 224.

As to the title of rolling stock, etc., leased, rented or delivered conditionally, see art. 21, sec. 93.

As to obstructing railroads, see art. 27, sec. 458, *et seq.*

As to "The Transportation of White and Colored Passengers," see art. 27, sec. 432, *et seq.*

For the "Jim Crow" law, see art. 27, sec. 443, *et seq.*

As to fire prevention along railroad tracks and the duty of the department of forestry, railroad companies and owners in connection therewith, see art. 39A, sec. 34, *et seq.*

An. Code, sec. 261. 1904, sec. 243. 1888, sec. 159. 1876, ch. 242, sec. 3.

195. Any number of persons as aforesaid, associating to form a company for the purpose of constructing or operating a railroad, shall, under their hands and seals, make a certificate, which shall specify as follows: *first*, the name assumed by such company and by which it shall be known; *second*, the name of the places of the termini of said road, and the county or counties, city or cities, through which such road shall pass; *third*, the amount of capital stock necessary to construct such road; such certificate shall be acknowledged before a justice of the peace, and certified by the clerk of the circuit court for any county through which the road passes; and when said certificate is executed, it shall be the duty of the persons