company, so far as said telephone and telegraph lines are and lie, and so far as said telephone companies and said telegraph companies conduct and operate such line or lines, respectively, within this State.

7. To all water companies and to the land, property, dams, water supplies, canals or power stations thereof and the operation of the same within

this State.

8. To all persons, corporations or partnerships engaged in the "transportation of property or freight," as above defined, within this State.

9. To all corporations and persons whatsoever subject to the provisions

of this sub-title as herein defined.

And to such other and further extent, and to all such other and additional matters and things, and in such further respects as may herein appear, either expressly or impliedly.

This section and Secs. 311 and 312, Art. 56, do not give the Public Service Commission jurisdiction over one transporting his own property. Public Service Comm. v. Bakery & Dairy, 176 Md. 191.

Portion of this section dealing with water companies referred to—see notes to sec. 344. Yeatman v. Public Ser. Com., 126 Md. 516.

This section referred to in upholding the power of the commission to authorize the

abandonment of a railroad—see notes to secs. 388 and 389. Benson v. Public Service Comn., 141 Md. 403.

See notes to secs. 346 and 391.

Commission has no jurisdiction to authorize sale by municipality of property dedicated to public use; powers conferred upon commission are of a regulatory nature and do not include either granting or withdrawal of franchises. Worcester v. Hancock, 151

This section referred to in construing secs. 294-310 of art. 56. Public Serv. Commn. v.

Williams, 167 Md. 330.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 351. 1912, sec. 416. 1910, ch. 180, sec. 4 (p. 347). 1914, ch. 445, sec. 4.

The principal office of the Commission shall be in the City of Baltimore, at such place therein as said Commission shall select and determine from time to time. The Commission shall hold stated meetings at least once a week during the year at its office. The Commission shall have an official seal, which shall be prepared and furnished by the Secretary of State. The officers of the Commission shall be supplied with all necessary books, maps, charts, stationery, office furniture, telephone and telegraph connections, and all other necessary appliances and incidentals, to be paid for in the same manner as other expenses authorized by this sub-title.

The offices of said Commission shall be open for business between the hours of half-past eight o'clock A. M. and half-past five o'clock P. M. on every secular day of the week except Saturday; when they shall be open between the hours of half-past eight o'clock A. M. and twelve o'clock noon, and one or more responsible persons, to be designated by the Commission or by the Secretary, under the direction of the Commission, shall be on duty

at all times, in immediate charge thereof.

The Commission shall promptly and duly organize. A majority of the Commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, for the performance of any duty, or for the exercise of any power of the Commission, and may hold meetings of the Commission at any time and place within the State. Any investigation, inquiry or hearing which the Commission has power to undertake or hold, may be undertaken or held by or before any one of said Commissioners, upon condition, however, that such Commissioner shall have first been authorized by the Commission to undertake to hold such investigation, inquiry or hearing; and all investigations, inquiries or hearings of or by a Commissioner shall be and be deemed to be the investigations, inquiries and hearings of the Commis-