prosecutions for the violation of the existing law now pending in this State.

SEC. 45. And be it enacted, That this act shall take Effective. effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1880.

CHAPTER 199.

AN ACT authorizing the Board of Public Works to sell the interest of the State in the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Board of Public Works of Maryland be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to, at any time after the passage of this act, enter into a contract or agreement, which shall be binding upon said board and said State, with the Baltimore and Drum Point Railroad Company, to sell and assign to said company all the stock and interest of the State in, and all claims and demands of the State against the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company, upon such terms as said Board of Public Works may deem advantageous to the State; provided that said contract for such sale shall be conditioned and take effect upon the said Baltimore and Drum Point Railroad being completed and in operation between Drum Point and the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad, and also conditioned that said Baltimore and Drum Point Railroad shall not reassign said interest either to the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company or to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

Authorized to sell and assign

Contract to be conditioned.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, and that all acts and parts of acts repugnant to this act shall be repealed and of no effect.

Effective.

Approved April 10, 1880.