

Duty of company.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of said company, to transmit all despatches in the order in which they are received, under the penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered with costs of suit, by the person or persons whose despatch is postponed out of its order as herein prescribed; *Provided however*, that arrangements may be made with the proprietors or publishers of newspapers, for the transmission for the purpose of publication, of intelligence of general and public interest, out of its regular order.

Proviso.

Company subject to provisions of other acts.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the said company shall have the benefit of, and be subject to the provisions of the several acts passed to incorporate and provide for the incorporation or regulation of telegraph companies in this State, so far as the same may not be inconsistent with the provisions of this act; and that this corporation shall not be permitted to issue any note, token, device, scrip or evidence of debt to be used as currency; and that the Legislature reserves to itself the right to alter, change or amend this act of incorporation at pleasure.

Banking for bid.

Reservation:

CHAPTER 137.

Passed April 26, 1853.

AN ACT to incorporate the Patapsco company.

Incorporated.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That John D. Godman, Francis Hoover, Edward Moon, Hiram Kaufman, Henry Knell, William L. Rusk, Samuel J. Pentz, Thomas J. Rusk, George Levering, James P. Thomas, Marcus Wolf, William Carmichael, Jesse D. Kaufman, and all and every other person or persons hereafter becoming members of the Patapsco company, in the manner hereinafter mentioned, their successors and assigns shall be, and they are hereby created and made a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Patapsco company, and by that name shall and may have perpetual succession, and be capable in law of purchasing, holding, improving and disposing of property, real, personal or mixed, to the extent in the manner and for the purposes herein authorised, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and defend, and be answered and defended, in all courts of law and equity, and may receive and make all deeds, transfers, instruments of