

CHAPTER 38.

Passed March 21, 1853. AN ACT to prescribe proceedings in equity in certain cases wherein a corporation is a party.

Authorised to give public notice against corporations.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in any suit which shall be hereafter commenced in any court of this State having equity jurisdiction, and within the jurisdiction of said court, against any corporation, whether domestic or foreign, and neither the president nor any of the directors, officers or agents of such corporation shall reside in this State, it shall be lawful for said court to authorise notice to be published against such corporation as is now done in the case of absent defendants, and to pass on the non-appearance of such corporation according to the terms of such publication, a decree pro-confesso, or upon ex parte testimony taken in such cause, against such corporation, as is now done where the absent defendant is a natural person.

In force.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

CHAPTER 39.

Passed March 19, 1853. AN ACT to amend the charter of the Frostburg Coal Company.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this General Assembly that the Frostburg Coal company, incorporated by the State of Maryland, has lately acquired a large addition of mineral lands to those already held by said company, and that to enable said company to develop the resources of its property, it is necessary that the capital stock of the said company should be increased; Therefore,

Capital stock increased.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the capital stock of the said company may be so increased as to consist of not more than twenty thousand shares of one hundred dollars each.

Meetings.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the meetings of the stockholders and the president and directors of the said company, shall be held at such time and place, and