

however, that the assent of the mayor and councilmen of said town, to the vacating and closing of said part of said alley, shall be first had and obtained.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That after the assent of the said mayor and councilmen shall be had and obtained as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the said Bernard Hafkensheid, Patrick A. Healey, and the congregation, their heirs and assigns forever, to use, occupy and possess the space of ground now occupied by said part of said alley as their own property, jointly and for their common use and benefit.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from its passage.

CHAPTER 378.

AN ACT to Incorporate the Baltimore and Liverpool Steam Ship Company. Passed May 24, 1853.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Samuel Fenby, William G. Harrison, William H. Keigler, Robert Howard, Walter R. Jones, Junior, Michael P. O'Hern and Edward M. Greenway, Junior, their associates and assigns, be, and they are hereby created and made a body corporate, by the name and style of the Baltimore and Liverpool Steam Ship Company, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law to hold and dispose of property, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and defend, be answered and defended, in any court of law and equity, and in any other place whatsoever; to receive and make deeds and contracts, to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to change, alter and renew at pleasure, to ordain and establish such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as may appear necessary for regulating the concerns of said corporation, not being contrary to this act; to purchase, freight or build vessels, and to purchase and dispose of cargoes for the same, and generally to do all such acts as shall be necessary for the purpose of conducting a line or lines of steamers or vessels for the conveyance of passengers, and transportation of merchandise and other things, between the cities of Balti-