

ileges and franchises, or any interest therein, or any part thereof, of any telegraph company organized under or created by the laws of this or any other State, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the respective companies; or may consolidate with any other telegraph company or incorporation of this or any other State, under such name and with such capital stock, and upon such terms as may be agreed upon between such companies or corporations; and whenever such consolidation as aforesaid is made, a certificate of the same, and of the particulars thereof, shall be executed and acknowledged by the presidents or other principal officers of said corporations so consolidating, which said certificate shall be recorded in the clerk's office of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, if the principal office of the said consolidated corporation in this State is located in Baltimore city, or in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of that county in which the principal office of said consolidated company in this State is located; and when said consolidated company is formed, it shall be subject to the provisions of this act as far as the same are applicable.

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date.

Acknowledged.

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

Effective.

Approved May 3, 1882.

Chapter 231.

AN ACT to enlarge the Powers of Railroad Companies by authorizing them to transact Express and Telegraph business.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That every railroad company of this State, whether incorporated under the general railroad law, or heretofore or hereafter incorporated under any special act, is hereby authorized to do an express business, charging reasonable rates therefor, including in the term express busi-

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