Chapter 147.

AN ACT to incorporate The Eastern Shore Telephone Company.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Benjamin T. Winchester, William E. Temple, James Bordley, William W. Busteed, W. Hopper Gibson, P. H. Feddeman, junior, Louis Hergemather, Oswald T. Hemsley, John O. Phillips, commissioners. Samel Ringgold, William H. Cockey and James B. Bright, and their successors, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to take subscriptions to the capital stock of the Eastern Shore Telephone Company, hereby incorporated, and they, or a majority of them, may cause books to be opened at such time and places, and for such period or periods, upon giving notice as they may deem expedient, of the time and places of opening the same; and if any of such commissioners shall die, resign or refuse to act, another or others may be appointed in his or their stead, by a majority of the remaining commissioners.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the subscribers to said stock, their successors and assigns, shall be and they are hereby declared to be incorporated into a company by the name of The Eastern Shore Tele-corporated. phone Company, and by that name shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding, selling, leasing and conveying estates and property, real, personal and mixed, so far as may be necessary to carry out the objects of said body corporate; to sue and be sued; to plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity; to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew, at their pleasure; to make by-laws for the government of said body corporate and its officers, provided the same shall not conflict with the constitution or laws of this state, or of the United States; and generally to do and execute all and singular such acts, matters and things as a corporation or body politic may and can lawfully execute, and all such matters and things as may be necessary to carry out the objects of said body corporate.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the capital stock of said company shall not exceed ten thousand dol-

Open books.

Company in-

Make by-laws