of this act, but for no other purpose, not to exceed the equivalent of thirty thousand dollars per mile of its said road and branches, said bonds or certificates of debt to bear interest not exceeding six per centum per annum, and to be secured by mortgage or deed of trust; said mortgage or deed of trust to be executed, stock to be increased, and bonds or certificates issued and negotiated, under such rules, terms and conditions, consistent with law, as said president and directors, or a majority of them, may make; provided that any lateral or branch railroad constructed under this act shall be subject to state, county and municipal taxation, and the general assembly reserves the right to alter, repeal or amend this act, the original charter and all acts supplemental thereto.

Proviso.

Approved April 8, 1884.

Chapter 318.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Dorchester county to pay unto William T. Windsor and George R. Todd all costs incurred by them in protecting natural oyster rocks in Fishing bay, in Dorchester county.

Pay costs in-

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the county commissioners of Dorchester county are hereby authorized and empowered to pay unto William T. Windsor and George R. Todd the sum of one hundred and ninety-seven dollars and sixty-two cents, costs incurred by the said Windsor and Todd in petitioning the circuit court for Dorchester county to vacate and set aside certain oyster beds of five acres, the same being natural oyster rocks or beds sought to be appropriated by Job T. Moore, James T. Robinson, Clement A. Robinson and William J. Robinson, of Dorchester county; provided, however, nothing herein contained shall be construed as mandatory, but simply directory.

Proviso.

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

Effective.

Approved April 8, 1884.