

CHAP. 105 lars: And provided, also, that the instalments thereon, similar to that required to be paid on behalf of the state, and all the previous instalments which may have accrued thereon, shall have been paid before any payment shall be demanded on account of the state's subscription.

Payments to be made in certificates of stock of the state.

Authority to contract loans.

Invest premium.

Pay to C. and O. Canal company.

Discretion allowed

May issue certificates of stock.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said subscription is authorised and directed upon the condition, that the said president and directors of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, shall certify to the said treasurer their agreement, under the corporate seal of said company, to accept and receive in payment of the instalments which may become due on any such subscription as they may be called for, certificates of stock of the state of Maryland, at par, irredeemable for fifteen years, and bearing an interest of five per centum per annum, payable quarterly, to commence at the end of one year after the same shall have been issued, in succession, and that upon any such subscription being made, the said treasurer is further authorised and directed, to borrow on the credit of the state, on the best obtainable terms, from time to time, the funds necessary to meet and discharge the first advance, and each successive payment, whenever, and as often as any instalment on the said subscription of the state shall be demanded, and become due, in conformity to the provisions of the charter of the said company, and to issue for the same certificates of stock of the state, bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum; payable quarterly; *provided*, that the said stock shall be redeemable at the pleasure of the state, at any time after fifty years, from each successive issue of certificates, as aforesaid, and the premium, if any, on each and every of the said loans, shall be invested in some safe and productive stock, at the discretion of the said treasurer, with the advice and consent of the Governor and Council for the time being, and the interest, dividends or profits, arising from such investment or investments, shall be re-invested as aforesaid, for the eventual redemption of the said loans; and the said funds, when obtained under the authority of this act, the said treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the order of the president and directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, in conformity to the provisions of the charter of the said company, and to receive therefor, the necessary acquittances; or, in case it shall be deemed more beneficial to the interest of the state, in the estimation of the said treasurer, with the approbation and concurrence of the Governor and Council, the said treasurer shall be, and he hereby is authorised and directed, whensoever and as often as any instalment on the said subscription of the state shall be demanded and become due, in conformity to the provisions of the said charter, to issue certificates of stock of the state, at par, irredeemable for fifteen years, bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, the said interest upon such certificates, to commence at the end of one year after the same shall have been issued, in succession, and to be paid quarterly thereafter; and the said treasurer is authorised and directed, to cause the said certificates to be delivered to the person or persons au-