

May increase capital stock. SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the said Washington, Annapolis and Chesapeake Railroad Company shall have power and authority to increase their capital stock not to exceed \$500,000 in addition to their present stock, and to make such stock either preferred or common, and to issue mortgage bonds, with or without coupons attached, in such amounts as the board of directors may deem advisable for building, equipping and maintaining the said road, its extensions and branches, and its steamships, steamboats and barges, and it shall also have power and authority to endorse or guarantee the bonds of any other railroad or steamboat company, the said bonds to be made payable at such time and on such terms as the directors may determine, and the said company shall have also the power and authority, by their proper officers, to mortgage the said road, its extensions and branches, with all their personal and real estate, franchises, rights and privileges for the security and payment of said mortgage bonds and other obligations of the said company; but no such bonds shall be issued until the same shall have been authorized by a resolution adopted by a majority of the stockholders of the company at a regular or special meeting thereof duly called.

May lay tracks, etc. SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That the said Washington, Annapolis and Chesapeake Railroad Company shall be authorized to lay down tracks, either broad or narrow gauge, as its directors may deem best, and to operate and run its trains and rolling stock of every kind by the use of steam, electricity, cables or any other motive-power said directors may adopt.

Effective. SEC. 7. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 4, 1896.

CHAPTER 288.

AN ACT to amend the Charter of the Capital City Railway Company, a corporation formed under Article twenty-three of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, title "Corporations," sub-title "Railroad Companies."

Further powers. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Capital City Railway Company, a corporation formed under the provisions of Article twenty-three of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, title "Corpora-