

and forty-eight to two hundred and fifty-three of said Article twenty-three; provided, however, that if the same be situate partly in one county and partly in an adjoining county, the said condemnation proceedings may be instituted and carried on in either one of said counties with like effect as if the same were wholly situate in the county wherein said proceedings are conducted; but it is expressly provided, that the right of condemnation hereby granted to said company, or that it may otherwise have under the General Laws, shall not be construed to authorize it to acquire in that way, any of the lands, rights, privileges or property now used, owned or occupied by the Conowingo Bridge Company or the Susquehanna Water-power and Paper Company of Harford county, in Cecil county or Harford county, in the State of Maryland.

May construct, works, etc.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That said company is hereby authorized to exercise its powers and franchises, construct, maintain, supervise and operate its works, plants, or any part thereof, distribute and dispose of its electricity and power, or any part thereof, for application to any useful purpose, and generally transact its business, or any part thereof, in the city of Baltimore, but the assent and approval of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore city shall be obtained before using the streets or highways of said city, either the surface or ground beneath the same; and said Mayor and City Council are hereby fully authorized to pass an ordinance or ordinances giving their assent and approval, and designating the manner of using the said streets and highways; and that in the exercise of the powers of condemnation by said company for the acquisition, use and occupation of land or property, or any easement therein, or right appurtenant thereto, or materials for the uses, objects and purposes of the company within the city of Baltimore, in the manner provided in section 3 of this act, the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the Court of Common Pleas, and the Baltimore City Court, and the clerks thereof, and the sheriff of said city, and the jurors summoned by him from the inhabitants of said city, and any justice of the peace of said city, and all parties interested in the exercise of said powers of condemnation, shall, respectively, have the same powers and rights which are conferred under section 3 of this act upon the circuit court of said counties and the clerks thereof, and the sheriff of said counties, and the jurors summoned by him from the inhabitants of said county, and the justices of the peace of said county, and the parties interested in the exercise of the powers