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or pledge of its property and franchises; to receive as security and to trade or invest in stocks and bonds of public or private corporations and other evidences of indebtedness or symbols of property, and in property of every class and description in the State of Maryland or elsewhere, with the right to vote on all shares of stock owned by it as owners or agent, subject to the conditions of such agency in any other companies or corporations, the same as a natural person, and to aid in any manner any corporation or company whose shares or securities it may hold.

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Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That the operation of said body corporate shall be carried on in the State of Maryland and elsewhere in the United States, and that it shall be authortions shall be ized to commence operation when it has paid the bonus tax required by law on its capital stock; and said corporation shall be entitled to the benefits of all the provisions of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Corporations," and any amendments thereto which are not inconsistent with the powers and limitations hereby specifically granted and imposed.

> Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 9, 1906.

CHAPTER 4721.

AN ACT to limit the charges by common carries for milk, cream, buttermilk or skim-milk, and to fix the minimum quantity of milk, cream, buttermilk or skim-milk hauled by any common carrier.

Rate of charges prescribed for carrying milk, etc.

Section 1. Be it enacted, That on and after April 15, 1906, no common carrier shall charge for performing the acts of receiving, hauling, icing, or delivery between any two stations, wharves or other regular stopping places on its line or branch line, for a distance not exceeding thirty (30) miles. a total rate greater than two (2) cents per gallon for milk or cream, or one and one-half $(1\frac{1}{2})$ cents per gallon for buttermilk or skim-milk, or two and one-half $(2\frac{1}{2})$ cents per gallon for milk or cream, and two (2) cents per gallon for buttermilk or skim-milk, for a distance not exceeding fifty (50) miles.