

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the said Baltimore and Cape Charles railroad company shall have power to unite, connect and consolidate with any railroad company or companies, either in or out of this state, so that the capital stock of said companies so united and consolidated may, at the pleasure of the directors, constitute a common stock; and the respective companies may thereafter constitute one company, and be entitled to all the property, franchises, rights and privileges and immunities which each of them possess, have and enjoy under and by virtue of their respective charters.

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SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the Baltimore and Cape Charles railroad company shall have power to lease or purchase and operate any railroad, either in or out of the state, for the purpose of carrying on their business; and any other railroad company in the state shall have the right to lease or sell its railroad or other property to the said Baltimore and Cape Charles railroad company.

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SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That the said board of directors of said corporation shall have the power, right and authority to adopt any route or routes for the said railroad, between the termini mentioned in their charter, as to them shall seem most suitable and proper; and shall have power to cross any rivers or streams by suitable causeways or culverts, and also the right to cross at grade or otherwise the lines of other railroads, and to condemn easements therein.

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route, etc.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted,* That the said Baltimore and Cape Charles railroad company shall have the power and authority to increase its capital stock not to exceed one million of dollars, and to issue mortgage bonds, with or without coupons attached, in such amounts from time to time as its board of directors may deem advisable for building, equipping and maintaining such road, its extension and branches, and its steamships, steamboats and barges; and it shall 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 railroad

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