

ployed and used in the business of manufacturing in said City, and it shall be the duty of the Appeal Tax Court to make such abatements of taxes levied as aforesaid as may be authorized and directed by said City by ordinance as aforesaid; *provided* that such abatement shall be extended to all persons, firms or corporations engaged in the branches of manufacturing industry proposed to be benefited by any ordinance passed under the provisions of this paragraph of this section; *provided* further, that application for such abatement as aforesaid shall be made or verified to the satisfaction of said Court by the oath of the party applying for the same, or other satisfactory evidence, before the annual revision and correction of the tax lists in each year, which said Appeal Tax Court is by law required to make, shall be completed and returned by said Court to the City Collector and Board of Estimates, and not afterwards; and said Court shall further keep a record of all abatements made by it as aforesaid, and report in writing the aggregate amount thereof during the year to the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore on or before the fifteenth day of October in each year. To extend the limits of direct taxation within the said City, from time to time, as it shall deem expedient. To have power to provide by ordinance or otherwise for the prompt collection of taxes due the City, and have power to sell real estate, as well as personal property, for the payment of taxes.

*Theatrical and other Public Amusements.*—To provide for licensing, regulating and restraining theatrical or other public amusements within the City of Baltimore.

*Water.*—To establish, operate, maintain and control a system of water supply for Baltimore City, and to pass all ordinances necessary in the premises. From time to time to contract for, purchase, lease and hold, in fee simple, or for a term of years, any land, real estate, spring, brook, water, watercourse, and also the right to use and occupy, forever or for a term of years, any land, real estate, spring, brook, water or watercourse which it may conceive expedient and necessary for the purpose of conveying water into the said City for the use of the said City and for the health and convenience of the inhabit-