such corporation shall give a bond, to be approved by the court, conditioned for the refunding of all tolls collected after the expiration of ten days from the return of the inquisition, if the same be affirmed after such motion or trial by jury, at any time during the progress of these proceedings the corporation against which such petition is filed, may show to the court in which such petition is filed, by affidavits or otherwise, that the defects complained of in such petition have been remedied, and if said court be satisfied, either by affidavits, the testimony of witnesses or by the return of a commission of three freeholders appointed by said court, that the defects complained of in such petition have been repaired and remedied, then the petition shall be dismissed with costs, in the discretion of the court as aforesaid, and the corporation be allowed to collect tolls. Either the petition or the corporation against which such petition is filed shall have the right to appeal to the Court of Appeals of Maryland from any final order of such judge or court.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 13, 1908.

## CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 209 of Chapter 471 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, session of 1868, being identical with some of the provisions of Sections 409 and 411 of Article 23 of the Code of 1904.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 209 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, session of 1868, being identical with some of the provisions of Sections 409 and 411 of Article 23 of the Code of 1904, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 209. Any corporation not chartered by the laws of this State, which shall transact business therein, shall be deemed to hold and exercise franchises within this State, and shall be liable to suit in any of the courts of this State on any dealings or transactions therein and also shall be liable to suit in any of the courts of this State, or any controversy which may arise between such corporation and any resident of this State.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6, 1908.