

habitants of St. Michaels and vicinity electricity for lighting and other purposes.

SEC. 10. *Be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 29th, 1918.

CHAPTER 49.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the Commissioners of St. Michaels to purchase of Thomas E. Harrison, Norman M. Shannahan, Sol Caplan and H. Clay Dodson, the electric lighting system now owned by them, including the capital stock, real estate, poles, wires and machinery, meters, rights, privileges and franchises pertaining thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Commissioners of St. Michaels be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase of Thomas E. Harrison, Norman M. Shannahan, Sol Caplan and H. Clay Dodson, trading as the "St. Michaels Utilities Commission," all their electric lighting plant and appurtenances including real estate, capital, stock, poles, wires, meters and all machinery and property connected therewith, together with all of its rights and franchises pertaining thereto, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, not exceeding the cost of the same, including all expenses or expenditures incurred in erecting and constructing the same and any purchases of material therefor and counsel fees and other expenses incurred by said company in defending any suit which has been or may hereafter be brought against said company for any matter connected with the construction and operation of said electric lighting plant or system and any and all judgments which may be rendered by any Court against the company for any matter connected with the construction and management of the electric system herein referred to.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That in order to consummate the purchase herein provided for, the Commissioners of St. Michaels be and are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow on the faith and credit of the town of St. Michaels upon the promissory notes or coupon bonds of said town, such sums of money as may be necessary to enable them to consummate the purchase herein authorized; provided, however, that the aggregate sums