

## CHAPTER 135.

AN ACT to amend the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its December Session, 1835, Chapter 328, entitled "An Act to incorporate the George's Creek Mining Company as amended and supplemented by the Act of the said General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its May Session, 1836, Chapter 382," entitled "A supplement to the Act to incorporate the George's Creek Mining Company (whereby, amongst other things, the name of said company was changed to the name of the George's Creek Coal and Iron Company), by authorizing the said company to make a payment to its stockholders on account of their capital stock, and reduce the par value of said capital stock."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the George's Creek Coal and Iron Company be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to diminish all the shares of its capital stock by a payment on account of said shares to the several holders of said shares, so as thereby to reduce the par value of said shares from one hundred dollars per share to ten dollars per share; provided, that such payment on account of said shares of said capital stock and said reduction of the par value of said shares of said capital stock thereby, as aforesaid, be authorized by a majority vote of all the stockholders of said company present in person or by proxy at a special meeting of the stockholders of said company called for the purpose of authorizing the diminution of said shares of said capital stock by a payment to the stockholders on account thereof and thereby reducing the par value of all said shares of said capital stock from one hundred dollars per share to ten dollars per share. Said notice shall be published conformably to the notice required by the original charter of said company to be given of the annual meeting of its stockholders, and, in addition thereto, a written or printed notice, stating the place, day and hour of such meeting of the stockholders of said company and the business to be transacted thereat shall be given to each stockholder twenty days previous to said day so advertised by leaving the same with him or her at his or her residence or usual place of business, or by mailing the same, addressed to him or her at his or her address as it appears on the books of the company. Said notices shall be signed by the treasurer of the said company, either by his own hand or by stamping thereon a fac-simile of his signature.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said payment on account of said shares of said capital stock to the stockholders of said company and such reduction thereby of the par value of said shares as hereinbefore mentioned, if authorized by said stock-