graded, paved, repaired or improved, curbs to be set and gutters laid, at the cost and expense of the abutting property or the owner thereof, or compel, by fine or otherwise, the owner or proprietor of any lot or lots to pave or repave the sidewalks or footways, to establish and regulate a station house or lockup for temporary confinement of violators of the laws and ordinances of the city; to suppress vagrancy; and for the purpose of carrying out the aforegoing powers, and for the preservation of the cleanliness, health, peace and good order of the community, and for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens, and for the violation of any ordinance or any section of any ordinance passed under the provisions of this section or by authority thereof, they may impose such reasonable fines. not exceeding one hundred dollars in any case, as to them appear right, and in default of the payment of any fine imposed, they may provide for the imprisonment of the offender for a period not exceeding ninety days, or until the fine be paid; and all ordinances or parts of ordinances heretofore passed by the Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick now in force and not in conflict with the provisions of this Act, are continued in force until the same are repealed or modified.

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

Approved April 3, 1910.

CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT to authorize the Commissioners of Thurmont, in Frederick county, to purchase and take over the Electric Light and Power Plant, with all rights and properties pertaining thereto, of The Citizens' Electric Light and Power Company of Thurmont, a body corporate, and own and operate the same for lighting the streets, lanes, alleys and public buildings of said town of Thurmont, and furnishing light, power and heat to the citizens of said town, and to issue bonds for the purpose of paying for such electric light and power plant, and the right and privileges pertaining thereto.

Whereas, It having been considered desirable that the public streets, lanes, alleys and public buildings of Thurmont, in Frederick county, should be lighted by electricity, and the Commissioners of Thurmont, a municipal body corporate, not having legal authority under the present charter to erect, equip and maintain the necessary plant to furnish the electricity for such lighting or to raise the money required therefor; and