or owners thereof as a security for the payment of any CHAP. 265. debt or loan, such owner or owners so hypothecating or pledging the same shall until forfeiture of the pledge, upon exhibiting to the person or persons holding any election in such incorporated company, a certificate in writing from the pledge or pawnee of such stock, certifying that the same is held in pledge or by hypothecation, be deemed and taken to be the holder or holders, owner or owners of such stock within the intent and meaning of this act, and as such shall be entitled to Pawnee may vote thereon, subject to the same conditions as are prescribed in the second and fourth sections of this act; provided, that this act shall not be construed to apply Restriction to any proxy given before the passage of this act by any stockholder now out of the United States, or to any stockholder now residing beyond the United States, and having no partner in trade in the United States; and provided, that nothing in this act shall be constru- Further restriced to extend to the next election of directors or other tion officers in any private corporation, where such election shall or may take place prior to the expiration of thirty days from the passage of this act; and provided fur- Publication rether, that this act shall not be in force unless it be published in at least two daily newspapers printed in the city of Baltimore, for at least fifteen days before the twentieth day of April next.

CHAPTER 265.

An act to provide for the inspection and weight of An- Passed Mar. 18, thracite or hard Coal, and for the measurement of Bituminous Coal.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly Appointment of of Maryland, That there shall be annually appointed weighers by the Governor and Council, two discreet and competent persons, who shall be weighers of anthracite or hard coal, and measurers of Bituminous coal, for the city of Baltimore.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all anthracite or Weight of Anhard coal hereafter sold, within the city of Baltimore, thractic regulated shall be sold by the ton, and two thousand two hundred and forty pounds of any coal shall be allowed to