stock delivered up by the said companies respectively CHAP. 386. as aforesaid, and in thus changing the bonds or certificates of stock already issued under the act aforesaid. for the bonds or certificates of stock hereby created, the said commissioner of loans shall give to the said companies respectively in the proportion of three thou- in proportion sand two bundred dollars of the bonds or certificates of stock hereby created for every three thousand dollars of the bonds or certificates of stock, so to be delivered un; provided however, that the said companies Proviso respectively shall secure by mortgage or other lien. on all the property and revenues of said companies respectively to the satisfaction of the said Treasurer of the Western Shore, the payment of the interest at the Securing semi-an rate of five per centem per annum on the stock created spercent interest by this act, semi-annually, at least ninety days before the first day of January and July, in every year for the term of three years from the date of the bonds or certificates of said stock together with the cost of and cost of transmitting said interest to London to be there paid. mitting and also the difference in the exchange of currency And balance of exbetween London and the City of Baltimore, or shall for the same purpose, to secure the payment of the in- Or leave in the terest as aforesaid, leave in the hands of the said systockequi Treasurer, an amount of said stock or bonds to which they may be respectively entitled, equivalent to the interest and expenses aforesaid, which bonds or stock. or the proportioned and equal part thereof, shall be immediately delivered to the respective companies on the Deliverable upon payment of sale payment by them or any part thereof, of the interest, costs on the terms and in the manner required by the provisions of this act, and in case of failure of the compa- In cose of their nies, or either, to pay the interest as required by this act. it shall and may be lawful for the Treasurer to Treasurer may sell to amount or defisell such part of the bonds retained as aforesaid, as energy may be necessary to supply the deficiency occasioned by the failure to pay the interest as aforesaid: provi- The entire excess ded also, that the entire excess in the sale of said five ship per cent sterling bonds or certificates of stock so exchanged for the bonds or certificates of stock already

issued, above the par of the bonds or conflicates of stock already issued and to be delivered up as aforesaid, after the payment of the interest and expenses aforesaid, shall be pail ratably by the respective com-