CHAP. 396. Sec. 2. And be it enacted. That if the Governor ob-In case of said our tain the surrender to this State, of the stock belonging to the United States and to the cities of Washington. Alexandria and Georgetown, in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, upon the condition above specified, in that event the Governor shall be, and he is hereby authoris-Offrot so percent ed and requested to offer to the several individuals

owning stock in the said Chesaneake and Ohio Canal. fifty per centum on the par value of their stock, pavable at the loan office in the city of Baltimore, in certificates of stock, or bonds of the State, at the option of the seller, bearing an interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable quarter annually, and redeemable at the pleasure of the State, at any time after fifty years from the date thereof.

In essent their ac Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That if the Governor shall obtain the said stock of the individual stockholders, as provided for in the second section of this act, in that

were to issue case the Treasurer of the Western Shore is hereby authorised and required to issue certificates of stock, or bonds of the State, to any amount requisite to pay for the stock owned by individual stockholders, which said certificates of stock or bonds of the State shall be redeemable at the pleasure of the State, at any time after the expiration of fifty years from the date theres per cent interest of, and to bear an interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable quarter annually at the loan office in the city of Baltimore.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That so soon as the Ches-Sec. 4. And to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, in general meeting of the stockholders thereof, shall have approved, assented and agreed to the general provisions of this act, and shall have communicated to the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland, their acceptance of its term, under the corporate seal of said company, and the signature of their president, and shall by the And filing said as same instrument, to be lodged with the Treasurer of entance And stipulation the Western Shore, stipulate, agree and bind the said

company after three years from the date of the bonds hereinafter authorized to be issued, to guarantee to of payment of a the State of Maryland, the payment out of the profits of the work, of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the whole amount of money which shall be paid to the said company, under and by virtue