

act desirable, and that a new act may be passed; *and* CHAP. 257.
whereas, it is politic and expedient that manufacturing
 should be encouraged in this State by the grant of char-
 ters, and by the amendment of charters, under proper re-
 strictions —Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly* Incorporated,
of Maryland, That Archibald Henderson, Casper W. &c.
 Wever, George Rothery, Robert Beale, William Lough
 ridge, and John Stewart, their associates, and all others
 who may hereafter subscribe for, or become owners of
 stock in said company, be and they are hereby constitu-
 ted a body politic and corporate for the purpose of man-
 ufacturing steel, files, saws, iron and other metals, agricul-
 tural implements, and all metals, and all other articles
 of metal, or of which metal of any kind is a chief
 component part, by the name and style of the Hender-
 son Steel and File Manufacturing Company of Wever-
 ton, Maryland, and that by the said name they and their
 successors, shall and may have perpetual succession, and
 have and use a common seal, and alter or change the
 same at pleasure, with capacity to purchase, take and
 hold goods and chattels, lands and tenements, and the
 same to grant, sell, let or assign; and by the name and
 style aforesaid, they may sue and be sued, plead and be
 impleaded, in all manner of actions, suits, complaints,
 matters and causes whatsoever, and shall have the pow-
 er to enter into all manner of contracts necessary for
 manufacturing operations and general business of the
 company, and to make such bye-laws, rules and regu-
 lations, not contrary to the laws of the United States, or
 of this State, as they may deem expedient and proper
 for the government of said corporation; *provided*, that Proviso
 the said company shall not at any one time, hold more
 than one thousand acres of land, purchased for the ne-
 cessary manufacturing operations of the said company.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the capital stock Capital stock,
 of said company shall consist of not less than eight etc
 thousand dollars, nor more than one hundred thousand
 dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each, to be rais-
 ed by subscription, for which purpose the aforesaid
 named persons, or any three of them, shall have power
 and authority to open books, when, where and un-
 der whom they may appoint for that purpose, and shall
 act as directors until the first Monday in July next, and
 until successors be chosen, and as such shall exercise
 the powers and perform the duties conferred and re-
 quired by the next section of this act, after having taken
 the oath therein prescribed.