

SEC. 12. *And be it enacted*, That any person connected with any telegraph company in this State, either as clerk, operator, messenger, or in any other capacity, who shall wilfully divulge the contents, or the nature of the contents of any private communication entrusted to him for transmission or delivery, or who shall wilfully refuse or neglect to transmit or deliver the same, shall, on conviction before any court, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall suffer imprisonment in the county jail, in the county or city, where such conviction shall be had, for a term of not more than three months, or shall pay a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars in the discretion of the court.

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Private communications.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted*, That the directors or trustees of any telegraph company, formed or incorporated under this act, may, at any time, with the written consent of the persons owning two-thirds of the capital stock of such company, extend their line of telegraph, or may construct branch lines to connect with their main line, or may unite with any other incorporated telegraph company, with such capital stock and upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

Extension of line.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorise the issue of any note, token, device, or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency.

Banking forbidden.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after the passage thereof.

In force.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,
That the Librarian General, or his Clerk, do cause to be bound up in one volume the Acts of Assembly, and other laws to be made, which have been mentioned in the Catalogue of the Library, County of Frederick, and books can be spared from the Library.