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their successors and assigns shall be, and they are hereby created and declared to be a body corporate and politic; by the name and style of the Curtis Creek Wharf and Rail Road company, and by that name and style shall and may have perpetual succession, and be capable in law of purchasing, holding, improving and disposing of real estate to the extent in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter authorised, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and defend, and be answered and defended, in all courts of law and equity, and may make, execute and deliver, or have or cause to be made, executed and delivered to them, all deeds, transfers, gifts, grants, conveyances, covenants, contracts, agreements and bargains whatsoever, necessary for the purposes and objects of the said company, and may have and use a common seal, which they shall have power to alter or renew, at pleasure, and generally to do every other thing or act neeessary to carry into effect the provisions, objects and purposes of this act; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall authorise or empower said company to acquire by purchase or otherwise, more than one thousand acres of land in all, of which not more than ten acres shall be within the limits of Baltimore city . . .

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the said parties as heretofore named, viz : John Wilson, R. H. Archer, Thomas Lloyd, John Wells, David C. Springer, James P. Archer, R. O. Crisp, J. P. Shannon and N. J. Crisp, or such one or more of them, as the others shall for that purpose authorise or appoint, may take and receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company, on such terms as they or a majority of them may designate or choose, in shares of fifty dollars each, to any amount which they may deem necessary and proper, not exceeding twenty thousand shares, and any person or persons who shall become a holder or holders, or entitled to one or more shares of the said stock, shall thereupon become a member of the Curtis' Creek Wharf and Rail Road company hereby incorporated, and every person or corporation on being divested of all shares of the said stock by transfer or otherwise, shall thereupon cease to the same be a member of said company; and until an election of officers shall have been made as hereinafter provided for, the said John Wilson, R. H. Archer, Thomas Lloyd, John Wells, David C. Springer, James P. Archer, R. O. Crisp, J. P. Shannon, and N. J. Crisp, or a majority of them, shall have and may exercise all the corporate rights and powers of the said Curtis Creek Wharf and Rail Road company, and shall manage the Road company in the

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