

eral Assembly, passed at January session eighteen hundred and fifty two, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven, the capital stock of said company was assessed at the nominal par value instead of the cash value thereof as directed by the ninth section of said act; and whereas, through erroneous information the said companies failed to make an appeal to the county commissioners within the time specified in said act; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the county commissioners of Prince George's county, be, and they are hereby authorised to hear and determine the complaint and appeal of the said Patuxent company and Laurel Machine company, and examine any person or persons on oath or affirmation as the case may be in relation thereto, and upon examination to abate or increase the valuation aforesaid in as full and ample a manner as if the appeal of said companies was taken within the time prescribed by law, and if the said companies or either of them shall consider themselves or itself aggrieved by the decision of the county commissioners aforesaid, an appeal may be taken therefrom to the court of Appeals then in session, or if the said court be not then in session the appeal shall be taken to the said court at its session next after such appeal, and the same proceedings shall be had therein as provided for in the case of appeals under the act aforesaid of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven.

Authority to hear and determine.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall In force. take effect from and after the date of its passage.