the said court shall pass such order for relieving the said petitioner or otherwise as to justice shall appertain; and the said court shall have full power to enforce obedience to the said order by writ of injunction or attachment, or other process which would be applicable in the enforcement of the said order in the event that the same had been passed by the said court in the exercise of its general equity jurisdiction; and the said court shall have power to provide for the examination of witnesses by an examiner or by deposition, and for taking or collecting other necessary evidence to be used at the hearing as aforesaid, and for the trial of issues involving any controverted matter of fact by a jury under the direction of the said court, if the said court shall deem such trial to be proper; and either party may appeal from the final order to be passed by the said court, or any order determining the merits of the said application or any part thereof to the Court of Appeals.

[219. Elevated railroads not to be built without special act.]

Nothing in this article shall apply to or authorize the construction of any elevated railroad, or of any other railroad, except the surface road; and no elevated railroad company shall be incorporated, except under a special charter of the General Assembly; and no elevated railroad shall be constructed in or through the City of Baltimore, or in or through any of the counties of the State; except under a special charter of the General Assembly; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall apply to railroads constructed by mining companies, as provided for in Sec. 168 of this article. ▶

[220. Reorganization when sold under mortgage or deed of trust— In general.]

In case of the sale of any railroad situated wholly within this State, or partly within this State and partly within an adjoining state, or the District of Columbia, heretofore or hereafter made by virtue of any mortgage or deed of trust, whether under foreclosure or other judicial proceedings, or pursuant to any power contained in said mortgage or deed of trust, the purchaser or purchasers thereof or his or their survivor or survivors, representatives or assigns may, together with their associates, if any, form a corporation for the purpose of owning, possessing, maintaining and operating such railroad, or such portions thereof as may be situated within this State, by filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate of the name and style of such corporation, the number of the directors of the same, the name of its first directors, the period of their service not exceeding one year, the amount of the capital stock of such corporation, and the number of shares into which it is to be divided, and the par value thereof, which may consist wholly of common stock, or partly of common stock and partly of preferred stock, and the whole or any part thereof may be issued as fully paid up stock in payment or part payment for the road as purchased, and for the construction and equipment thereof, and shall not in the aggregate exceed the amount of stock which the corporation, whose road shall have been purchased as aforesaid, was entitled to issue, and the persons signing such certificate, and their successors, shall be a body corporate and politic by the name specified in such certificate, with power to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and to own, maintain, possess and operate the railroad referred to in such certificate, and to transact all business connected with the same;