

shall be good and sufficient evidence in any court of this State to prove such incorporation.

Approved April 14, 1898.

CHAPTER 479.

AN ACT to amend the charter and to extend the powers of the Hagerstown Railway Company of Washington County, Maryland, so as to confer upon said company, in addition to the powers heretofore granted, the right to construct, own and operate an electric light, heat and power plant, and to furnish electricity in Washington County, Maryland; and to amend and re-enact Section 4 of Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1896, relating to said railway company; and to sanction and confirm the execution of the mortgage, and the issuance of the bonds thereunder by the said railway company.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the charter of the Hagerstown Railway Company of Washington county, Maryland, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of Maryland, be and the same is hereby amended as follows; and that section 4 of chapter 419 of the Acts of 1896, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows: Repeal.

4. *And be it enacted,* That the said company shall have the right to carry over its railway or any of its connections, for hire, express matter and merchandise, and shall also have power to manufacture, furnish and sell to persons or corporations electric light, electric heat and electric power, and to contract for, and to furnish electric light for lighting streets, roads, private or public buildings in said county, and to furnish electricity for motive power and other purposes, to any and all persons and corporations; and the said railway company is hereby authorized and empowered by and with the consent of the County Commissioners of Washington county, or any person or persons, or corporations, owning or operating any of said roads or turnpikes, to lay, purchase, construct or build lines, conductors and conduits under, along, upon or over any or all road-ways or turnpikes in said county, and by and with the consent of the municipal authorities or town officers, in any city or town in said county, to lay, purchase, construct or build lines, conductors and conduits under, along, upon or over the streets or alleys in any town in said county, and under, over and along any private property in said county, the Certain powers granted.