

ties preliminary to the exercise of the aforesaid powers passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight of the General Assembly of Maryland, chapter three hundred and seventy-six, and to vest other and additional powers in the county commissioners of said counties relating to the purchase of the capital stock of said Chester river bridge company.

WHEREAS by chapter three hundred and seventy-six, of the acts of eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, the county commissioners of Kent county and of Queen Anne's county respectively, were authorized to purchase the bridge across Chester river at Chestertown belonging to the Chester bridge company, and to provide for the payment thereof by levies on the taxable inhabitants of said counties, and to make said bridge a free public bridge or thoroughfare; and

WHEREAS said Chester bridge company was designated in said act the "Chester river bridge company;" and

WHEREAS it is desired to correct the error in the name of said Chester bridge company and to modify and change some of the conditions of the purchase authorized by said act; now, therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the county commissioners of Kent county and the county commissioners of Queen Anne's county respectively, instead of providing for the payment of the capital stock and property, franchises, rights and privileges of said Chester bridge company in case of the purchase thereof in three equal annual instalments of one, two and three years by levies as provided in said act to which this is a supplement, be and they are hereby respectively authorized, empowered and directed to issue coupon bonds of their respective counties, according to their respective proportions of the sum necessary to purchase said capital stock, property, franchises, rights and privileges as may be agreed on between them, in denominations of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred dollars, and to an amount not exceeding their respective proportions of par value of the capital stock of said Chester bridge company, or such other sums less than that as may be required to make said purchase, said bonds to bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum payable annually, and to mature and fall due as follows: one-third of the whole amount thereof in eleven years from the date of issuing the same, one-third thereof in thirteen years from the date of issuing the same, and the remaining third thereof in fifteen years from the date of issuing the same, and the bonds issued under this act shall not be liable to taxation for State, county, municipal or town purposes, and said bonds issued by the county commissioners of Kent county shall be signed by the president of said board of county commissioners and

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