

teen hundred there shall not be, for the purpose of City taxation, any increase in the present assessment of such property as it is now assessed ; and all property in the said territory which is not now assessed, but which may be within the same period liable to assessment, shall be assessed at the same rate as similar property is now assessed in said territory ; and during the said period, up to the year nineteen hundred, the City of Baltimore shall expend within said territory an amount at least equal to the amount of revenue derived from taxation on the basis herein set forth from the said territory, in affording to the residents within said territory the rights and privileges accorded to and enjoyed by the residents within the other wards of said City; but nothing in this section shall be so construed as to require the expenditure by said City of any greater sum. From and after the year nineteen hundred, the property, real and personal, in the said territory so annexed shall be liable to taxation and assessment in the same manner and form as similar property within the other wards of said City may be liable; *provided*, however, that after the year nineteen hundred, the Baltimore County rate of taxation for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven shall not be increased for City purposes on any landed property within the said territory until avenues, streets or alleys shall have been opened and constructed through the same, nor until there shall be upon every block of ground so to be formed, at least six dwelling or store houses ready for occupation.

5. The annexation to the City of Baltimore of the territory described in the Act of 1888, Chapter 98, shall not affect the right of any turnpike or toll-road company heretofore chartered by this State from collecting tolls upon such parts of their said roads as lie within said territory, nor shall any provision in the charter of said companies which prohibits the erection of a toll-gate within one mile of Baltimore City, operate to require the removal of any toll-gates now located within said territory. But the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have the power to purchase or condemn from said companies such portions of their several turnpike roads as lie within the City, or to