

ages shall be sustained, and also be subject to an indictment in the Circuit Court for the county where such offence may be committed, and upon conviction of such offence shall be punished by fine and imprisonment in the discretion of said court.

Road to be commenced and finished.

Sec. 19. *And be it enacted*, That if this road shall not be commenced in two years from the passage of this act, and shall not be finished in ten years from the time of its commencement, then this act shall be null and void.

Banking privileges prohibited.

Sec. 20. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorize the said company to issue any note, token, script or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency, and the Legislature hereby reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act at pleasure.

Empowered to subscribe.

Sec. 21. *And be it enacted*, That a majority of the Commissioners of Washington county, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, be and they are hereby each authorized and empowered to subscribe in behalf of said county or said city, respectively, to the capital stock of the said Washington County Railroad Company, such amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, for said county or the said city, as they may think proper in their discretion; and in payment of said subscription to issue bonds in the name of said county or said city, and to sell the same for the payment of the amount so respectively subscribed, at such times and in such instalments as may be approved by a majority of the said Commissioners or said Mayor and City Council for the time being, each of said bonds to be accompanied by coupons for the interest thereon, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly.

Authorized to levy.

Sec. 22. *And be it enacted*, That a majority of the Commissioners of said county and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, be and they are hereby respectively authorized and directed to levy upon the real and personal estate of said county or city such amount as may be necessary for the payment of the debts and interest, evidenced by the bonds of said county or city, respectively, at the times therein stipulated for the payment thereof, the said taxes to be levied and collected as other taxes in said county or city are levied and collected.