

CHAP. 328.

CHAPTER 328.

Passed March 10, 1860. AN ACT to incorporate the Patapsco Gas Light Company of Ellicotts Mills.

Incorporated. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Robert H. Archer, Henry R. Hazlehurst, John R. D. Thomas, John Schofield and John Collier, Jr., and all such persons as shall associate with them, by becoming stockholders, in the manner hereinafter provided, their successors and assigns, are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the Patapsco Gas Light Company of Ellicotts Mills, and by that name shall have perpetual succession; and be capable in law to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered in any court of law or equity, to make and use a common seal and to alter the same, and generally to do and perform all such acts and make all such agreements and contracts, and to purchase, lease, hold and possess such lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods and chattels as may be necessary for carrying on the manufacture of, or procuring, or collecting gas or inflammable air, and preserving, using and distributing the same, as the means of lighting the public and private houses, factories, streets, lanes, alleys, and other places in the village of Ellicotts Mills, and its precincts, or for carrying on any manufacture necessary for converting to useful purposes the product of any substances which may be employed in making or procuring gas, and for disposing of the same, and such other powers as may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act; *Provided*, the said company shall not possess or hold, at any one time, real and personal estate together over the value of twenty-five thousand dollars, without the consent of the Legislature.

Proviso.

Subscriptions. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the five persons first named, or a majority of them, may cause books to be opened at such times and places as they may direct, giving public notice thereof, for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the capital stock of the said company, which shall be divided into shares of twenty dollars each, and be limited to one thousand shares.