

clear said road agreeably to the plan and certificate afore-  
said; and the said road when opened and cleared as afore-  
said shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be forever  
hereafter a public road, and shall be kept in repair as other  
public roads in said county.

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3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall value and ascertain the damages that may be sustained by each and every of the persons through whose lands the said road may pass (petitioners to the General Assembly for this road only excepted,) by opening the same, taking into estimation the advantages and disadvantages, if any; and the damages so ascertained shall be levied and assessed as other county charges are, and shall be paid over to the persons respectively through whose lands the said road may pass, except as before excepted.

Damages.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners shall be entitled to receive a compensation for their attendance and services in discharge of their duties of this act, not exceeding two dollars per day, to be ascertained by the levy court, which is hereby directed to be levied collected and paid as other county charges are.

Compensation.

CHAPTER. 33.

*An act for erecting a bridge over the Potomac, near Williamsport in Washington County*

Passed Dec  
30, 1815.  
Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this General Assembly by the inhabitants of Williamsport, and its vicinity, in Washington county, that they together with a number of other inhabitants, of Virginia, are desirous of forming a company for the purpose of erecting a bridge over the Potomac; Therefore,

Sec. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Jacob T. Towson, Edward G. Williams, Samuel Ringgold, John Buchanan, Matthew Van Lear, Robert T. Friend, Rawleigh Colston, Elisha Boyd, Archibald Shearer and Thomas C. Smith be, and they are hereby appointed managers to do and perform the several duties herein after named, that is to say; they or any two of them, shall and may on or before the first day of May next, procure one or more books, as to them shall seem necessary and shall enter therein as follows: "we whose names are hereunto subscribed, promise to pay to the president directors and company, for erecting a bridge over the Potomac river, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents at the time of subscribing, and the sum of two dollars and fifty cents every sixty days thereafter, until twenty dollars be paid upon every share of stock in said company, set opposite our respective names;" and shall thereupon proceed to receive subscriptions for the stock of the said company, which is hereby declared to be the sum of forty thousand dollars, divided into two thousand shares of twenty dollars each, at such time and place as they think proper, of which three weeks notice shall be given in the two newspapers published at Hagers Town, and shall keep the said books open for the space of three weeks, unless the whole number of shares be sooner subscribed for, which subscriptions may be made by person, or by proxy; and in case the whole number of shares shall not be subscribed for in that time, the said managers, or any two of

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