

XIII. And be it enacted, That if the said road shall be carried through any fields of ground in actual cultivation, such fields shall not be laid open, or used as a public road, until after the usual time of taking off crops then growing thereon.

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Fields not to
be laid open.

XIV. And be it enacted, That if any person shall alter or change, or in any manner obstruct or encroach on, the said public road, or any part thereof, or cut down and destroy any turnpike gate, or cut, destroy, deface or remove any mile stones set up on said road, or put or place any rubbish, dirt, logs, stones, or any other obstruction in the said road, or make any pit or hole therein, such person may be indicted in the county court, and being thereof convicted, shall be fined or imprisoned, in the discretion of the court, according to the nature of the offence; and the president and directors shall cause any obstructions or nuisances on the said road to be removed, and shall restore the same to its proper state and condition.

Penalty on
persons alter-
ing the road,
&c.

XV. And be it enacted, That as soon as the road shall be completed in the manner directed by this act, the president and directors shall forthwith transmit to the governor and council a full and fair account of the cost of said road, and the amount of tolls received previous to its completion, and shall annually thereafter transmit to the governor and council a yearly account of the tolls received and expences incurred on said road.

An account to
be transmit-
ed, &c.

XVI. And be it enacted, That the said directors may cause to be set up and erected such number of gates or turnpikes across the said road, at such places as they may think proper, and may take and receive for passing the said turnpike gates, set up on the said road next the town of Baltimore, and city of Washington respectively, for every coach, or other four wheeled riding carriage, the drivers, passengers and horses, not exceeding thirty cents; for every two wheeled riding carriage, the driver, passengers and horses, not exceeding fifteen cents; for every waggon, or other carriage of burthen drawn by horses, mules or oxen, not exceeding three cents per horse, mule or ox; for every horse and rider, not exceeding three cents; for every single horse, camel, ass or mule, not exceeding one cent; and for black cattle, each not exceeding one half cent; for every score of sheep or hogs at the rate of ten cents the score; and the said directors may impose such tolls as they may think reasonable on passing any other of the said gates or turnpikes, provided that the said directors do not exact or receive, for passing the said road between the said toll-gates next to the town of Baltimore and to the city of Washington aforesaid, for every coach, or other four wheeled riding carriage, the drivers, passengers and horses, passing the said gates or turnpikes, more than four cents per mile; for every two wheeled riding carriage, the driver, passengers and horses, not exceeding two cents per mile; for every waggon, or other carriage of burthen, drawn by horses, mules or oxen, not exceeding two cents per mile; for every horse and rider, not exceeding one cent per mile; for every single horse, camel, ass or mule, not exceeding one half cent per mile, and for black cattle, each, exceeding two milles per mile; and for every score of sheep or hogs not exceeding two cents per mile; and provided, that the said last mentioned tolls shall not be laid on any part of the said road as shall not be made and completed in the manner herein before directed, and that the said turnpike gates, next adjacent to the city of Washington or to the town of Baltimore, shall not be nearer to the said town or city respectively than one mile; and provided, that all persons, their waggons, carts, carriages or animals, herein before enumerated, passing the said toll-gates next adjoining the town of Baltimore or city of Washington, shall not be subject to pay any further toll on the said road for the distance of ten miles from the said gates respectively than the tolls thereat established, nor shall any person, their waggons, carts, carriages or animals, be compelled to pay the said tolls for passing the said several and respective gates on the said road more than once in twenty-four hours; and no tolls shall be exacted or received by the said company, or their agents, in any other cases than those herein before specified.

Directors
may set up
gates, &c.

XVII. And