

CHAP. 151. as they may be from time to time called in by the directors of said company, who shall give ten days notice requiring payment of said instalments, in two or more newspapers printed in this state; and in case any of the stockholders, or any of the original subscribers to their articles of association, shall refuse, or shall have refused to pay their respective instalments, as severally demanded, then and in that case it shall and may be lawful for the said directors to bring an action on the case against the parties delinquent, wherein it shall be sufficient to declare for money had and received, and give this act and the special matter in evidence; and in case the amount due should be less than fifty dollars, the same may be recovered as other debts of like amount are, and in both cases an extract from the list of stockholders, under the seal of said corporation, shall be *prima facie* evidence of subscription.

Dividends.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the directors shall once in each and every year, as soon after the receipt of their rents and profits as may be, make and declare a dividend of their profits, which shall be paid to the stockholders, their legal representatives or assigns.

Treasurer to sign all contracts, &c.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in all cases of lease, demise or contract, it shall and may be lawful for the treasurer to sign the same with his proper name, and attach the seal of the corporation, and the said instrument shall be as binding on said company, and as available in law, as if the same had been done by the directors; and in any case where it may be necessary to make distress for any rent arrear, the treasurer for the time being shall *ex officio* be bailiff of said corporation for such purpose, with full power and authority, in the name of the Havre-de-Grace Ferry Company, to do all acts necessary under such distress.

Capital only answerable for demands.

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no subscriber or stockholder, or member of said company, shall be answerable in his person or individual property for any contract or engagement of said company, for any losses, deficiencies or failures, of the capital stock of said company, but the whole of said capital stock, together with all property, rights and credits, belonging to said institution, and nothing more, shall at all times be answerable for the demands against said company.

Property declared personal.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the interests or rights the several and respective members of said corporation may have to the property thereof, shall be deemed and taken to be personal property, and shall be transferrable and go in distribution as such.

Transfers.

9. AND BE IT ENACTED, That transfers of stock shall be made in person or by attorney on the books of the company.

CHAP. CLIII.

Passed Feb 11 1818 *An Act to authorise the building of a Bridge over the River Patapsco at the place called Hammond's Ferry.* Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 77.

Bridge may be erected—Tolls.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Margaret Hammond, Barriet Hammond, and Samuel J. Donaldson, of the city of Baltimore, their heirs or assigns, shall have full power and authority, at any time within five years hereafter, to build and erect, at their private expense, a bridge over the Patapsco river at a place commonly called Hammond's Ferry, which bridge, when erected, shall be of sufficient width for all carriages to pass and re-