

of stock, the payment of the annual interest on the one-half of the total issue of bonds of said corporation, to wit: On the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, and the payment and redemption of the same at maturity in the year 1913, and also such further sum as may be necessary to keep the said bridge in repair to the extent of one-half the cost of such repair, the other half of the cost of repair and maintenance, as well as the other half of the annual interest, on the bridge bonds and the money for their final redemption, to be borne and paid by the County Supervisors or other authorities of Loudon County, Virginia, or by such other authority as may assume and pay the same for the benefit of the public and the establishment of a free bridge in place of the said Berlin and Lovettsville toll bridge as heretofore provided.

Establishment
of a free
bridge.

To issue
bonds.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the said County Commissioners of Frederick County are hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in such sums and at such times as to them shall seem proper to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, bearing interest at not exceeding four per cent. per annum, payable twenty years after date, to be sold at not less than par, for the purpose of carrying out the purpose of this Act; and to levy taxes on the taxable property of Frederick County to meet the annual interest on said bonds and to redeem and pay the same when they shall fall due; and the said bridge, from and after the purchase of said stock by Frederick and Loudon Counties, shall thenceforth be opened and maintained by the two counties aforesaid as a free bridge open to the traveling public as other public bridges in Frederick County are used and maintained, subject only to such regulation as may be necessary for the proper care and protection of said bridge, and the penalties provided by the Act of 1890, Chapter 616, for injuring or obstructing said bridge shall remain in force, to be collected as therein provided.

Care and pro-
tection of
bridge.

Approved April 7, 1904.

CHAPTER 280.

AN ACT to repeal Section 186 of Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Wicomico County," sub-title "State's Attorney," and to add a new section to said Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Wicomico County," sub-title "County Commissioners," giving the County Commissioners power to appoint its counsel and to