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Obstructions
in river.

remain unlighted; the said fines to be recovered before a justice of the peace in either Cecil or Kent counties, as the case may be, as other small debts are recoverable, the one half to the use of the county in which suit may be instituted, and the other half to the use of the informer.

Sec. 17. *And be it enacted.* That if at any time hereafter any obstructions to the navigation of the river Sassafras should arise from the erection of the bridge authorised to be built by this act, so as to impede the free passage of such boats or vessels as are or may be used on said river, the president or directors of said bridge shall be liable to indictment in the county court of Cecil or Kent counties, for occasioning such obstructions, and upon conviction thereof, shall be adjudged by the court in which conviction takes place, to remove all such obstructions at his or their own expense; and if such obstructions shall not be removed agreeably to the judgment of said court, within sixty days thereafter, then it shall be the duty of said court, upon proof of neglect or refusal of the president or directors of said bridge, to obey the judgment of said court within said period, to impose upon said president or directors such fine as they may deem adequate to the removal of such obstructions, to be collected, with the costs of prosecution, as other fines, and to be applied, under the direction of said court, for the removal of said obstructions.

Commence-
ment.

Sec. 18. *And be it enacted,* That if the aforesaid bridge be not commenced within two years, and completed within five years from the passage of this act, then and in such case all the privileges hereby granted shall cease.

Public ferry.

Sec. 19. *And be it enacted,* That from and after the completion of said bridge, it shall not be lawful to keep up a public ferry from Frederick-Town in Cecil county, to George-Town in Kent county, except only whilst the said bridge may be under repair, or cannot be fully used and enjoyed for the purpose for which it was erected.

CHAPTER 89.

Passed Feb 11. *An Act relating to the Records in the Register of Wills Office in Kent County.*

Preamble,

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Frederick Wilson, register of wills for Kent county, that certain records in his office have become