violation thereof, which fines shall be collected as small debts are now collected, and shall be recovered in the name of the County Commissioners of said counties before any justice of the peace of either of said counties in which the person or persons violating said rules and regulations shall be found; and on failure or refusal to pay and inability to collect the same by legal process, the person or persons so fined shall be committed to the county jail of the county for a period not exceeding ten days, in the same manner as commitments are made for fines imposed by the Circuit Courts of this State on conviction for misdemeanor, and the justice of the peace shall make this a part of his judgment, and said fines shall be applied to the keeping of said bridge in repair.\*

#### 1894, ch. 548, sec. 2. 1900, ch. 183, sec. 2.

41. The County Commissioners of Caroline and Talbot Counties are authorized and directed to levy on the assessable property of their respective counties such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the cost of constructing, maintaining and keeping in safe repair said bridge and other property belonging thereto or therewith.

# 1894, ch. 548, sec. 3. 1900, ch. 183, sec. 3.

42. The County Commissioners of Caroline and Talbot Counties, a majority of each board concurring, shall annually in the month of April, appoint some suitable and competent person to act as keeper for said bridge whose duty it shall be to attend to the opening and closing of the draw of said bridge, and also to perform such other duties in regard to keeping said bridge in proper condition for public travel, and the keeper of said bridge shall receive such compensation for his services as the said County Commissioners shall provide for by the levy for maintenance of said bridge, as authorized in Section 41.

## 1894, ch. 548, sec. 4.

**43.** The draw of said bridge shall not be left open before eleven o'clock at night.

### BRIDGE AT CHOPTANK.

# 1894, ch. 47, sec. 1.

44. The County Commissioners of Caroline and Dorchester Counties are hereby authorized and empowered to build a substantial bridge over said river,† from some suitable point on the Caroline County shore, near the town of Choptank, to a convenient and practicable point on the Dorchester County shore, the position to be determined by the County Commissioners of the two counties; and the said County Commissioners of Caroline and Dorchester Counties are hereby authorized and empowered

<sup>\*</sup>Ch. 395, 1908 (p. 679), authorizes Caroline County to issue \$8,000 of bonds for construction, in conjunction with Talbot County, of a new draw-bridge.

<sup>†</sup>Linchester River, formerly Hunting Creek. See 1890. ch. 29.