SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect when the same shall be accepted by a majority in value of the stockholders, of the president, How effective managers and company of the Baltimore and Yorktown Turnpike Road aforesaid at any general meeting.

Approved April 5, 1878.

## CHAPTER 471.

AN ACT for the better protection of oysters in the waters of the Patuxent river included within the boundaries of Calvert county and Saint Mary's county, between Point Patience and Sheridan's Point in Calvert county, and Town Point and Long Point in Saint Mary's county.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall not be lawful for any When unlawperson or persons to take or catch oysters for any ful to catch purpose, in any manner, or with any instrument oysters. whatever, in the waters of the Patuxent river within the boundaries of Calvert county, between Point Patience and Sheridan's Point in Calvert county, and between Town Point and Long Point in Saint Mary's county, from the first day of May to the first day of October in each year after the passage of this act; provided, however, that this act shall not be construed to prohibit the citizens of Calvert county or Saint Mary's county from taking from the waters thereof oysters for private use, or for the purpose of replanting or bedding in the waters of said counties, or for sale to the citizens of the county wherein they are caught.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That upon information given upon oath to any justice of the peace in and for the counties aforesaid, of any violation of the