

vided that such contract, to exempt the same, shall be limited as to time, and shall not exceed ten years.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage, but shall not be construed to in any manner effect the act providing for the straightening of Water street, passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

How con-
strued.

Approved May 3, 1882.

Chapter 361.

AN ACT regulating fences in certain parts of Hooper's Island, specified in said act, district number six, of Dorchester county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all fields and other ground in that part of Hooper's Island lying between the ferry or narrows, and the thoroughfare in district number six of Dorchester county, shall be fenced with posts and rails, logs, planks or worm fences well staked and ridered, and made of good and substantial rails; the said rail, plank or log fence shall be at least four feet high from the ground to the top of the upper rail on level ground, and three feet high on embankments, said embankments to be not less than twelve inches high; and the space between the said rails, planks or logs from the ground, for two feet, shall not exceed four inches; from thence upwards not to exceed six inches; or said fields or ground shall be enclosed with bush or hedge fences, well set and matted, of height equal to aforesaid rail, plank or log fence, and of sufficient strength to turn any stock that said rail, plank or log fence would turn; and if any live stock of any kind and description whatsoever shall break into any persons enclosure, the same being of the height and sufficiency aforesaid, then the owner or owners of said live stock shall be liable to make good all such damages to the owner or owners of such enclosure as shall

How fenced.

Height of
fence.

Enclosed with
bush, &c.

Owners liable
for damages.