

office, and shall be confirmed by said court at its next session, if no cause be shown to the contrary, but if set aside, the said court may direct another inquisition to be taken in the manner above prescribed, and such inquisition shall describe the property taken by metes and bounds, and the valuation when paid or tendered by the company, shall entitle said company to the use and occupation during their corporate existence, and if the valuation shall not be received when tendered, it may be received any time afterwards, and all the expenses incurred by said inquisition shall be paid by the said company.

## Bridges.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the said company shall at their own costs and expense erect and maintain good and substantial bridges over and across said canal wherever it crosses any public road or street, and also where it crosses any private roads, should they, by the agreement with the owners of any real estate agree so to do, or should the company by the verdict of any jury duly authorized, be required so to do.

## Tolls.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That it is and may be lawful for the said company to levy, demand and receive all such tolls not exceeding eighty per cent. of the maximum charges authorized to be charged by the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, as a majority of the Directors at any regular meeting shall assess upon all vessels, either empty or containing freight, and upon all goods, chattels and freight of any kind carried through said canal, and upon all rafts of timber and crafts navigating said canal, subject however to the right of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland to increase or reduce said tolls.

## Misdemeanor.

Sec. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person commanding or directing any vessel, upon the Canal, shall wantonly or negligently obstruct or impede the navigation thereof, or any other person maliciously injure the Locks, Bridges, Basins, or any of the property of said corporation, shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and liable to be sued in any court of the State, or of the United States having jurisdiction thereof in a penalty of not less than fifty dollars.