draw in said bridge, in order to admit vessels to pass through CHAP. 137 without delay or interruption, for which no reward shall be demanded or received, and in case of any neglect, the said owner or owners may be indicted and fined in Cecil or Kent county courts as for a common nuisance.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the owner or owners of Firing of guns, &co the said bridge shall have authority, and they are hereby authorised to prohibit by notice affixed upon some conspicuous part of said bridge, all persons from discharging any guns, muskets or fire arms whatever upon the said bridge, under a penalty of five dollars for every such offence, to be recovered before any justice of the peace of Cecil or Kent counties, to be applied to the use of the county wherein the same is recovered.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That if at any time hereafter any Navigation nection 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 owner or owners 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 the judgment of said court within thirty days thereafter, then it shall be the duty of said court, upon proof of neglect, or refusal of the owner or owners of said bridge to obey the judgment of said court, within said period, to impose upon said owner or owners. 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.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That if the aforesaid bridge be Time prohibited. not commenced within one year, and completed within three years from the passage of this act, then and in such case all the privileges hereby granted shall cease.

Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That from and after the com- Forry unlaway. pletion of said bridge, it shall not be lawful to keep up a public ferry from Georgetown, in Kent county to Fredericktown, in Cecil 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 138.

An act to enable Charles Carroll of Carollton to receive patents Passed March 1, for two warrants of resurvey on certain lands heretofore conveyed in trust by him.

WHEREAS, it appears to the General Assembly, from the petition of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, that he is the holder