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Sum of money
to be paid.

the then existing law ; and whereas, by this Act the said road commissioners are practically legislated out of office, it is therefore directed that the said County Commissioners of Prince George's county shall at their levy laying term in March, 1906, levy and pay over to each of the road commissioners elected the sum of two hundred dollars, in full payment of all claims which each or any of said road commissioners might have against the county on account of their said appointments or election.

Liable to
indictment.

288. Any person appointed under the provisions of this Act whose duty it shall be to keep accounts or to make reports who shall fail to do the same or who shall wilfully make a false report, shall be liable to indictment, and if convicted shall be fined in the discretion of the court not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be paid to the County Commissioners of said county for the benefit of the roads of said county, and shall be liable for the loss arising from any neglect of duty or frauds in a civil action, to be prosecuted in the Circuit Court of Prince George's county.

Fine to be
imposed.

289. Any person who shall hinder, molest or obstruct any of said highway commission, or employe of the said highway commission in performance of duties in relation to the road work, or who shall obstruct by filling in ditches or otherwise injure the public roads, or drains thereof, or place or cause to be placed any dangerous obstruction across any of the public roads of the county, shall upon indictment and conviction be fined, in the discretion of the court trying the case, not exceeding one hundred dollars, the same to be paid to the County Commissioners for the benefit of the road fund of the county. And the County Commissioners of Prince George's county are empowered and authorized to direct the removal from the public roads any such obstruction.

Work to be
done by con-
tract.

290. It shall be the duty of said highway commission or the commissioner for the respective road districts to have, as far as practicable, all roads constructed, reconstructed or repaired in said county, to be done by contract, under sealed bids, to be opened publicly after due advertisement ; and for the purpose of having the necessary clerical force to carry out the provisions of this Act the said highway commission is authorized and directed to pay respectively to the clerk and auditor to the County Commissioners of Prince George's county the sum of two hundred dollars each per annum for