

said Justice, and upon proof of such summons and failure or refusal to obey the same shall be fined not less than one dollar and not more than five dollars, and all costs of such proceedings, and to be committed to the jail of Caroline County until such fine and costs are paid.

SEC. 26. *And be it further enacted,* That all by-laws now in force relating or applicable to the Commissioners of Preston and not included in this Act and not inconsistent with this Act and all ordinances of the Commissioners of Preston now in force and not inconsistent with this Act, shall be and they are hereby continued until changed or repealed respectively by the General Assembly of Maryland or the Commissioners of Preston.

SEC. 27. *And be it further enacted,* That all officers provided for or named in the Charter of Preston, or any amendments thereto, as it now stands before the passage of this Act, whether by election or appointment, shall continue to hold, exercise and discharge the duties of their respective offices until their successors shall be duly qualified and nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to interfere with the continuity of the terms or tenure of said officers; nor shall the re-appointment or re-election of any of said officers be necessary in order to secure the said continuity of their said terms and tenures of office unless otherwise provided in this Act.

SEC. 28. *And be it further enacted,* That any suit, action or proceeding now pending shall not abate by reason of the passage of this Act.

SEC. 29. *And be it further enacted,* That each Section of this Act and every part of each Section are hereby declared to be independent Sections, and the holding of any Section or Sections or part or parts thereof to be void, ineffective or unconstitutional for any cause shall not be deemed to affect any other Section or part thereof.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 16th, 1914.

CHAPTER 834.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 115-A, 115-B,