

ter to be acquired by them as aforesaid, have all the rights of citizens of this state, free and exempt from the operation of the escheat laws, so that they may hold and enjoy, sell, lease or bequeath, such lands as may be advisable or necessary.

CHAP. CLXXX.

An Additional Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of making and cutting a Canal between the River Delaware and the Chesapeake Bay. Passed Mar 13, 1839

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for the president and directors of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, from time to time, to make and enact rules and regulations for the good government of the said canal, and the harbours, basins, and other appertenances thereof, and for protecting the same from injury, and for promoting the general security and convenience of the vessels which may navigate the same; and that it shall and may be lawful for the said president and directors to require and enforce, by their officers and agents, due conformity to such rules and regulations.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That if any person shall obstruct the navigation of the said canal, its basins, harbours; or other appertenances, or shall otherwise injure, deface, or destroy, any of the banks, locks, bridges or other appertenances thereof, or shall break any of the rules and regulations adopted by the said president and directors for the good government of the said canal, he shall be liable to an action by the said Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, or by any other persons aggrieved, for the damages which they may sustain.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That for securing the more convenient and safe navigation of Broad and Back Creeks, into which the said canal enters, it shall and may be lawful for the said president and directors to enact from time to time, such rules and regulations for the government of vessels navigating the same, as may by them be judged necessary and proper for the purposes aforesaid, and to enforce conformity thereto in the manner hereinbefore specified.

Sec. 4. *And whereas,* it has been represented to this general assembly that it will hereafter be required, in order to the more convenient approach to the said canal, that Broad and Back Creeks should be deepened, and the channels thereof be made wider and more direct by artificial means, and that injury may be done to the said canal company by permitting encroachments upon the said creeks, therefore, *Be it enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said