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this act, or to elect a President and Directors as directed by this act, and the by-laws, or through a failure of the President and Directors, or a majority of them, to do any act or thing on any particular day or time, or to fill vacancies in their own board.

Bridges to be provided.

Sec. 20. *And be it enacted*, That in case the said Canal shall cross any public road, it shall be the duty of the said company, at the proper expense of the same, to make and keep a good and sufficient bridge or bridges across the said Canal, so as to prevent any inconvenience in the usage of such road or roads by reason of said Canal crossing the same; and that it shall be lawful for the Legislature of this state at all times hereafter, to enact laws for the erecting and maintaining bridges across the said Canal, at the expense of the said company, and to subject the said company to forfeitures, pains and penalties, for not complying with such laws.

Penalty for damage to canal.

Sec. 21. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons shall destroy, damage or in any manner injure the said canal, locks, works, or any of them, or any of the property of the said company, or shall aid, abet, or counsel the doing of the same, all and every such person so offending, shall be liable to indictment in the county court of Worcester; and on conviction upon such indictment, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, at the discretion of the court, and shall be sentenced to pay the fine with all the costs, and such proceedings shall be had as in all other cases of indictable offences, or such person or persons shall be liable to the said company in a civil action for the injury sustained, and the form of such action shall be trespass vi et armis, in which treble damages and full costs of suit shall be recovered; but in no case shall both the said remedies be had by the said company, for one and the same offence and damage.

Liable to civil action.

CHAPTER 226.

Passed Mar. 14, 1833

An act to authorise Commissioners to divide Charles County into School Districts.

Commissioners to meet.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall be the duty of the commissioners already appointed by Charles County Levy Court, or a major part of them, to assemble in their respective election