

CHAP. 110.

Dividends.

SEC. 13. *And be it enacted*, That the said president and directors shall keep a just and true account of all moneys secured by their several and respective collectors of tolls for crossing the said bridge, and shall make and declare a dividend of the profits and income thereof among all the stockholders, first deducting therefrom all contingent costs and charges, and such proportion of the said income as they may deem necessary to provide against decay, and for repairing the said bridge and causeways, and shall on every first Monday in May, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and thereafter, publish in some newspaper in Talbot and Caroline counties, the dividend to be made of the said clear profits thereof, among the stockholders, and of the time and place where and when the same shall be paid, and shall cause the same to be paid accordingly.

Company protected against injury or other wrong.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons shall wilfully, or without the orders of the said president and directors, pull down, break or destroy, with intent to injure, any part or parts of said bridge, or of any abutments, pier or piers, or of any of the houses, gates, bars, or other property of the said corporation appurtenant to, or erected or made for the use and convenience of the said bridge, or the persons employed in conducting the business thereof, or shall wilfully, without the orders and consent of the said corporation, or any person or persons authorised by them, obliterate, deface or destroy the letters, figures, or other characters, in any written or printed list of the rates of tolls affixed or to be affixed in any place or places, for the information of passengers or others, or who shall wilfully and maliciously obstruct or impede the passage on or over the said bridge, or any part or parts thereof, he, she or they so offending shall each of them forfeit and pay to the said president, directors and company not exceeding the sum of twenty dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace in the manner and subject to the same rules and regulations as debts under fifty dollars are recovered.

May agree with owners of land, &c., required for the uses of the company.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted*, That the said president, directors and company, or a majority of them, if necessary, may agree to and with the owners of any land on which it is intended to abut the said bridge and build a toll house, or