

CHAP. 30.

State's right to
tolls pledged for
payment of in-
terest on loan

Increase of toll
authorised

Payment of
principal

How paid

Faith of State
pledged

Tolls to be paid
semi-annually

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That, for the purpose of securing the payment of the interest upon the money by the preceding section authorised to be borrowed, the State hereby pledges her right to the tolls of said canal, after such sums shall be deducted therefrom as will be sufficient to keep the said canal in good condition and repair for transportation, and officers' salaries and expenses of the company; and the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, in such form as the charter and the several laws applicable thereto make necessary, are hereby required to increase the tolls for the transportation upon said canal to the maximum charge fixed by the charter, immediately after the passage of this act, except upon the article of coal, which shall be increased to at least one cent per ton per mile, immediately after the completion of the canal to Cumberland, unless the agents appointed to represent the State in said canal company shall certify, in writing, to the president and directors of said company that, in their opinion and belief, the best interest of the State would be injured by such increase on the article of coal; and in case the said president and directors fail or refuse to comply with this provision, it shall be the duty of the agents representing the State in joint stock companies, to remove them at the next general meeting of the stockholders.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That, for the purpose of providing for the payment of the principal of the debt by this act authorised to be contracted, the annual sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, to arise from the tolls upon the canal, are hereby appropriated and set apart; which said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars shall be paid, one-half thereof on the first day of March, and the residue on the first day of September, in each and every year after the canal shall have reached Cumberland, to the Treasurer for the Western Shore of Maryland, to be by him accumulated as a sinking fund for the purpose aforesaid; the said sum to be paid by the president and directors of the canal company, out of the tolls to be received upon the said canal, after paying the interest, as directed by the second section of this act, and the expenses of the said canal; this appropriation of the profits and tolls of the canal is in aid of the general faith and credit of the State, which is hereby pledged, in the fullest manner, for the payment of both principal and interest, on the money hereby authorised to be borrowed.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the president and directors of the said canal company, to