CHAP. 174. be necessary to the corporations herein and hereby constituted and created to enable them duly and fully in the law to execute all things touching and concerning the design and intent of the said corporation for the benevolent relief, succour and good order of its members, and the widows and orphans of deceased members of the said society, agreeably to the constitution and such rules and bye-laws as may be established for by the said society.

Proposition to in writing.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That at any time it may be dissolve to be thought necessary to dissolve this society, a proposition to that effect shall be laid on the table in writing at a stated meeting of the society, and may be discussed at the next stated meeing, but shall not be finally decided upon until it has been two full months before the society, and shall not take effect until three-fourths of the members residing in the State of Maryland are in favor thereof.

To remain in force till 1870.

Proviso.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That this act shall be and remain in full force until the first day of March eighteen hundred and seventy; provided however, that the legislature reserve the right at any time hereafter to alter, change or repeal the foregoing act.

Issues forbid.

SEC. 10. And be it enacted, That this act shall not be so construed as to authorize this corporation to issue any device, token, note, certificate or other evidence of debt to be used as currency.

## CHAPTER 174.

Passed Feb. An act to prevent injuries to the Tide-water Canal, and to 27, 1843. rotect the property and neighboring land-holders.

Subject to fine

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if any person or persons shall wantonly open any gate, wicket or lock of the Tide-water Canal Company, or shall wantonly break or injure any lock, gate, wicket, embankment, wall or other work appertaining to said canal, such person or persons so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be subject to such fine and imprisonment (or either) as the county court before whom the same may be tried, shall in its discretion impose, and such person so committed shall be adjudged to pay all such damages to the said Tide-water Canal Company, as the said company may have sustained by the injury as above to any of its works.