prong of the Andover branch with the main stream of CHAP. 197. the Andover, or so far as a majority of the owners of the low lands on said branch, may deem advantageous, in such direction, and of such width and depth as they or a majority of them may judge most proper to convey the water from said branch and low lands, and it shall and may be lawful for the said directors, or a majority of them, to meet on the first Monday in May, in Annually to meet each and every year hereafter, at any place, or at any time or times, which may be agreed on by the said directors, or a majority of them, for the transaction of

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the cost, charges Expense of cuttin pad by proprietor and expenses of cutting and opening said ditch or drain, shall be paid by the respective proprietors of the same, each paying for the cutting or opening the drain through his, or her land, except when it shall so happen that two or more of the said proprietors hold parts of said branch, through which the said ditch or drain shall be made, adjoining each other, in which case, each shall pay in proportion to the part he or she shall or may hold.

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Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That in case there are Low lands benefits any low lands on said branch which will be materially benefitted by said ditch or drain, through which the same does not run, then and in that case, the directors are authorized to appoint three commissioners Ass who shall view the same and award to what amount the said low lands will be benefited by said ditch or drain either in money or in work, and the same shall be apportioned by the directors to the owners of said land, through which the said ditch or drain runs, agreeably to their respective portions.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the said directors, or App a majority of them are hereby authorized to apportion what they may conceive the expences thereof may amount to, for cutting said ditch or drain, and demand and receive such proportion from the said proprietors

respectively, before or after the same is finished. Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That in case the said pro- In case of non-pay prietors, or any of them, shall not pay to said directors directed his, her, or their respective proportion of any sum of money fixed and apportioned by the said directors as aforesaid, for the purpose of opening or cutting the