

William D. Travers & James Smith the sum of one Hundred dollars current money for the same.

Now the conditions of the above obligations is such that if the above bounden William D. Travers & James Smith shall well and faithfully keep open Slaughtor Creek Bridge draw for vessels to pass through from the dawn of day in the morning until the expiration of day-light in the evening each day; and at any time of the night, when called on by the master of a vessel wanting to pass through from the first day of January 1857 until the first day of January 1858 then this obligation to be void and of none effect else of full virtue and force in law.

Sealed signed & delivered  
in the presence of

Benjamin G. Smith

James Smith

Wm D. Travers

Jer. G. Patterson



The above Bond & sureties approved by the County Commissioners for Dorchester County this 22<sup>d</sup> December 1856  
Josiah Jump Clerk  
County Commissioners

The State of Maryland  
From  
Washington A. Smith &  
others

Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that the following Bond was recorded on the 22<sup>d</sup> day of December 1856 to wit

Know all men by these presents that we Washington A. Smith, Jeremiah G. Patterson, and William W. Cator of Dorchester County in the state of Maryland are held and firmly bound unto the state of Maryland in the full and just sum of Three Hundred Dollars current money of Maryland to be paid to the said State or its certain attorney to the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents; sealed with our seals and dated this Twenty second day of November Eighteen Hundred & fifty six. Whereas the County Commissioners for Dorchester County by virtue of a supplement to the act entitled "an additional supplement to the act to regulate Ferries" have contracted with the said Washington A. Smith to keep the Ferry over Slaughtor Creek from Taylors Island to Meekins Neck and agree to allow the said Washington A. Smith the sum of Two Hundred & twenty nine dollars current money for the same. Now the condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Washington A. Smith shall well faithfully and diligently keep the said Ferry over Slaughtor Creek from Taylors Island to Meekins Neck from the dawn of day-light in the morning until the expiration of daylight in the evening, each day, from the first day of