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riage, the driver, passengers and horses, not exceeding fifteen cents; for every waggon, or other carriage of burthen drawn by horfes, mules or oxen, not exceeding three cents per horfe, mule of ox; for every horse and rider, not exceeding three cents; for every single horse, camel, as or mule, not exceeding one cent; and for black cattle, each not exceeding one half cent; for every score of sheep or hogs at the rate of ten cents the score; and the faid directors, may impose such tolls as they may think reasonable on passing any other of the said gates or turnpikes, provided that the said directors do not exact or receive, for palling the faid road between the faid toll-gates next to the town of Baltimore and to the city of Wallington aforelaid, for every coach, or other four wheeled riding carriage, the drivers, passengers and horses, passing the said gates or turnpikes, more than four cents per mile; for every two wheeled riding carriage, the driver, passengers and horses, not exceeding two cents per mile; for every waggon, or other carriage of burthen, drawn by horfes, mules or oxen, not exceeding two cents per mile; for every horse and rider, not exceeding one cent per mile; for every fingle horse, camel, als or mule, not exceeding one half cent per mile, and for black cattle, each, exceeding two milles per mile; and for every score of sheep or hogs not exceed. ing two cents per mile; and provided, that the faid last mentioned tolls shall not be laid on any part of the faid road as shall not be made and completed in the manner herein before directed, and that the faid turnpike gates, next adjacent to the city of Washington or to the town of Baltimore, shall not be nearer to the faid town or city respectively than one mile; and provided, that all persons, their waggons, carts, carriages or animals, herein before enumerated, passing the said toll-gates next adjoining the town of Baltimore or city of Washington, shall not be subject to pay any further toll on the faid road for the distance of ten miles from the faid gates respectively than the tolls thereas established, nor shall any person, their waggons, carts, carriages or animals, be compelled to pay the faid tolls for passing the said several and respective gates on the said road more than once in twenty. four hours; and no tolls shall be exacted or received by the faid company, or their agents, in any other cases than those herein before specified.

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Road, &c. vested in the corporation, &c.

医大胆硷 机氯氯 XVII. And BE IT ENACTED, That the faid road and tolls shall be and are hereby vested in the faid. corporation, and their fuccessors, for ever; provided always, that after the proprietors of the faidflock shall have been reimbursed by the faid tolls the whole of their principal sum advanced, with fifteen per cent. per annum thereon from the profits of the faid tolls, that from and thereafter all profits of the faid tolls, exceeding the faid annual interest of fifteen per cent. upon their original capital, shall belong to and be paid by the said corporation to the state; and provided also, that the said corporation shall be also obliged thereafter to keep the said road in good repair, out of the fifteen percent. fo to be retained and received by the faid corporation; and provided also, that whenfoever, at any time after the expiration of forty years from the establishing and completing of the said road, it shall seem expedient to the legislature to make the said road and tolls so established and made the property of the state, by a law to be enacted for that purpose, three commissioners shall be appointed by the legislature on the part of the state, and three by the corporation aforesaid, who, or any four or more of them, shall examine the accounts, and estimate what sum or sums of money the said corporation has expended and received, and the fum, if any, necessary to be added to their receipts, to reimburse the said corporation the sums by them expended, with an interest of fifteen per cent, perannum on the capital expended in completing faid road, which faid fum being paid to the faid corporation, the faid road and tolls shall immediately thereon he the property of the state.

Company to keep a just account, &c.

XVIII. And he it enacted, That the faid company shall keep a just and true account of all and every the monies to be received by their several and respective collectors of tolls at the several gates and turnpikes on said road from beginning to end, and shall make and declare a dividend of the clear profits and income thereof, all contingent costs and charges being first deducted, among all the subscribers to said company's stock, and shall, on every second Monday in January and July in every year, publish the half yearly dividend to be made of the said clear profits among the stockholders, and of the time and place when and where the same will be paid, and shall cause the same to be paid accordingly.

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XIX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president and directors shall, at the end of every third year after the choice of the first directors as aforesaid, until two years next after the whole road shall be completed, and every second year thereafter, lay before the general assembly of this state an abstract of their accounts, shewing the whole amount of their capital expended in prosecution of the said work, and of the profits and income arising from said toll for and during the said respective periods, together with an exact account of the costs and charges of keeping the said road in repair, and all other contingent costs and charges, to the end that the clear annual income and profits thereof may be ascertained and known; and if at the end of two years after the said road shall be com-