

C H A P.
XXIII.
When erected,
property
vested, &c.

X. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when good and secure bridges, with stone arches or stone pillars, shall be erected over the Great Falls and Little Falls of Gunpowder, in Baltimore county, and Winter's run, in Harford county, as aforesaid, the property thereof shall be vested in the stockholders, subject to the provisions of this act; and the said stockholders, or the directors that may be appointed by them, shall be authorised to erect a gate on the bridge built, or to be built, across the Little Falls, or in the road adjoining the same, and a house for the residence of the collector of the tolls, and to demand and receive the following tolls at the said gate; that is to say, for every led or driven horse or mule, and for each head of black cattle, two cents; for every sheep or hog, one cent; for every coach or other four wheeled riding carriage, the driver and horses, not exceeding thirty-seven and one half cents; for every two wheeled riding carriage, the driver and horse or horses, not exceeding twenty-five cents; for every waggon, cart, or other carriage of burthen, drawn by horses, mules or oxen, not exceeding two cents for every horse, mule or ox therein; and for every horse or mule, and rider, six cents; and for every sleigh or slide, three cents for each horse or mule therein.

Penalty for
demanding
greater rates,
&c.

XI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if the said president and directors, or their servants or agents, or any of them, shall demand and receive any greater rates or tolls than those herein enumerated, or shall neglect to keep the said bridges in good and sufficient repair, the said president and directors shall, for every offence, forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered by action of debt, in the name of the levy court of Baltimore and Harford counties, one half to the informer or person who will sue for the same, the other half to the use of the levy courts of Baltimore and Harford counties, to be equally divided between the said levy courts, and applied by them towards paying their respective county charges.

President, &c.
to give a certificate, &c.

XII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president and directors of the company give to each stockholder a certificate of the share or shares he may hold, which shall be a transferrable property, under such regulations and conditions as may be by the said president and directors adopted for the same; and provided any subscriber shall, after due notice being given, refuse or neglect to pay the amount of his subscription, or such part thereof as may by the president and directors be called for, the sum or sums already paid by such subscribers shall be forfeited, and the said president and directors may proceed to receive fresh subscriptions for such share or shares as may so become forfeited.

A majority to
be a quorum,
&c.

XIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president, and a majority of the directors, shall be a quorum to do business; they shall keep a book or books, in which shall be inserted minutes of their proceedings, contracts, purchases, expenditures, and a state of the cash in hand, which book or books shall at all times be open to the inspection of the stockholders.

Stockholders
declared a body
corporate, &c.

XIV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said stockholders shall be and are hereby declared a body corporate, by the name of The President and Directors of the Baltimore and Harford Bridge Company, and by the same name shall have succession until the purposes of this act be answered, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of justice in this state, and before any judge, judges and justices, in all manner of suit or suits, causes, matters and demands, in as full and ample a manner as any other person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, within this state, in like cases may or can do, and may make, have and use, a common seal, and the same may break or alter at their pleasure.

Sections repealed,
&c.

XV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the second and third sections of an act, entitled, An act to streighten and amend the post-road from Havre-de-Grace to Baltimore-town, and an act, entitled, A supplemental act to the act to streighten and amend the post-road from Havre-de-Grace to Baltimore-town, be and the same are hereby severally repealed.

C H A P. XXIV.

Passed 31st of
Dec. 1801.

An ACT for the relief of the representatives of Nicholas Merryman, late of Baltimore county, deceased.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of the representatives of Nicholas Merryman, late of Baltimore county, deceased, that the said Nicholas Merryman did, on the tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, duly make and execute his last will and testament; and that the said Nicholas Merryman did, on the thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred,