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or such other place or places as may be fixed on by their by-laws, for the purpose of choosing a president, three managers and a treasurer, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary, and to establish such by-laws, rules and regulations, as shall be found convenient, provided the said by-laws rules and regulations shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, nor the constitution or laws of this State, or of the United States; and to establish from time to time the rates of toll that shall be demanded for passing or travelling on said road, which said rates of toll shall not be increased during the next twelve calendar months after the same shall have been so fixed and established.

Meetings:

6. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That the president and managers shall meet at such time and at such places as shall be ordained by the by-laws of said company, and when met three members with or without the president shall constitute a quorum, who in the absence of the president may choose a chairman, and shall keep minutes of all their proceedings fairly entered on a book, and a quorum being formed they shall have full power to appoint such engineers, superintendants and gate keepers as they shall deem necessary, and to fix their salaries or wages, and to draw on the treasurer for all sums of money that may have been deposited with him by the said company, their agents or servants, which said draft or drafts shall be signed by the president or chairman, and countersigned by one of the managers.

Repairs:

7. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That if the said company shall neglect to keep the said road in good and perfect repair for the space of ten days, and information shall be given to any justice of the peace in the county of Baltimore, such justice shall issue a precept to be directed to any constable, commanding him to summon three disinterested free holders named by said justice in the said precept, to meet at a certain time in the said precept to be mentioned, at the place in the said road complained of, of which meeting notice shall be given to the keeper of the gate nearest thereto, and the said justice shall at such time and place on the oaths or affirmations of the said persons, inquire whether the said road is in such good order and repair as aforesaid, and shall cause an inquisition to be made and certified under the hands of himself and a majority of the said persons, and if the said road shall be found by the said inquisition to be out of order and repair contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act, the said justice shall thereupon certify and send one copy of said inquisition to the chief judge of Baltimore county court, who shall thereupon order the gate or gates of said company to be thrown open and so remain until the said road is repaired and put in good and perfect order; and during the time the gates shall remain so opened, it shall not be lawful for the said company, their agent or toll gatherer, to ask, demand or receive from any person travelling on said road any toll for passing the same; and in case any toll gatherer shall offend against the provisions herein contained he shall upon conviction forfeit and pay to the person injured a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, and not less than five dollars, with costs to be recovered before a justice of the peace in the manner small debts are recovered.

Teams &c.
passing.

8. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That all wagons and dri-