

CHAP. 173.

General meeting
to be held annual-
ly

6. *And be it enacted,* That a general meeting of the stockholders shall annually be holden in the town of Upper Marlborough on the first Monday in April, when nine directors shall be chosen in the manner aforesaid, to conduct and manage the affairs of said company until the then next election, and in case a majority of the stock subscribed for should not be represented on said day, or at the first meeting of the stockholders aforesaid, either by stockholders in person, or by proxy duly authorised, those stockholders who do attend in person, or by proxy, may adjourn said meeting from day to day until a majority as aforesaid shall attend.

May fix on site,
and contract for
building, &c

7. *And be it enacted,* That the president and directors aforesaid shall have power to locate and fix on the site for said bridge, and to contract for building the same, and to employ all necessary workmen and labourers about the same, and in case the site of said bridge should not be fixed upon land already condemned as a public road, to contract with the proprietor or proprietors of the land on each side of said river, against which the said bridge shall be proposed to be abutted, for the privilege of said abutment, and as much land as may be necessary to make a road leading to other public roads; and if the said president and directors should not be able to agree with said proprietor or proprietors upon the price for said land, then the said president and directors shall apply to the county court of the county in which said land lies, whose duty it shall be to appoint five disinterested persons in the county aforesaid, who being first sworn, shall view the lands so proposed, and fairly and impartially, to the best of their judgment, fix and ascertain the sum which the said proprietor or proprietors ought to have and receive for said land.

Tolls allowed

8. *And be it enacted,* That as soon as said bridge shall be completed, it shall be lawful for the corporation aforesaid to demand and receive the following tolls and rates for passing the same; that is to say, for a single person two cents; for a horse three cents; for a single carriage eighteen and three quarter cents; for a phaeton, chariot or coach, twenty-five cents; for four horse wagon twenty-five cents; for a two horse wagon eighteen and three quarter cents; for a cart twelve and a half cents; for horned cattle two cents each; for hogs and sheep two cents each; for oxen in geer three cents each, and no more; and if the collector of the tolls shall demand and receive from any person or persons for passing said bridge more than is hereby allowed, he shall for every such offence forfeit and pay to the party aggrieved five dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace; and any person or persons attempting forcibly to pass said bridge without paying toll, or refusing to pay the same after having passed, shall be liable to a like penalty, to be recovered in manner aforesaid for the use of said corporation.

Dividends to be
declared every six
months

9. *And be it enacted,* That the president and directors aforesaid shall at the end of every six months from the time said bridge shall be completed, after defraying all necessary and proper expenses and charges, declare the dividends due to each stockholder, which shall be paid by the treasurer upon the order of the board of directors.

Stock how to be
transferred

10. *And be it enacted,* That the shares of stock shall be transferrable only on the books of the corporation, in such manner as the board of directors may direct.