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tion, and shall also forfeit his right to said stock on account of which he shall be delinquent; and the said president and directors shall have power to sell said stock for the use of said corporation, and the purchaser or purchasers of the same shall be considered a stockholder or stockholders in said corporation, to all intents and purposes; and if any forfeited share or shares of stock shall not produce on sale, a sum sufficient to discharge the balance due thereon, and the expenses of sale, the said delinquent stockholder or stockholders shall remain liable for the balance due to be recovered by suit or warrant for money had and received as the case may be in which the circumstances of the case may be given in evidence.

How built.

15. *And be it enacted*, That the said bridge shall be built in a secure and substantial manner, and shall be secured and supported at each end by good and sufficient abutments, or piers, and there shall be a draw in the said bridge at the deepest part of the channel, so as to afford a convenient passage to vessels up and down the said river, of at least forty feet wide; and the president and directors for the time being shall keep a sufficient number of hands at all times ready for the purpose of opening said draw in order to admit vessels to pass through without delay or interruption, for which no reward shall be demanded or received: and in case of any neglect, the said president and directors may be indicted in Anne Arundel county court, as for a common nuisance.

Property vested.

16. *And be it enacted*, That for and in consideration of the great risk and expenses to be incurred by said company, not only for building the said bridge, but for keeping the same in continual repair, the said bridge, when built and completed according to the directions of this act, and all its profits, shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the said company for ever, to be held as tenants in common, in proportion to their respective interests.

CHAPTER 82.

*An act regulating fences in Cecil county.*Passed Jan.
29, 1823.
Regulation.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That corn fields and all grounds kept for enclosures, shall be fenced with a post and rail fence, or worm fence well staked and ridered, made of good and substantial rails, at least four feet and a half high from the ground to the top of the upper rail; and all worm fences not staked and ridered shall be at least five feet high from the ground to the top of the upper rail, and the first or under rail, either in post and rail or worm fences, shall not exceed five inches from the ground, or embankment, or stone wall, as the case may be, on which the same is or shall be built; and the distance or space between each of the three lower rails shall not exceed five inches; and all fences made of stone exclusively, and hedges of thorn close set, shall be at least four feet and an half high from the ground to the top thereof. And if any horses, horned cattle, sheep or hogs shall break into any person's enclosure, the same being of the height and sufficiency aforesaid, then the owner of such horses, cattle, hogs and sheep, shall be liable to make good all such damages to the owner of such enclosure, as shall be found and awarded by two respectable landholders, who may view the same, under their oath or affirmation made before some justice of the peace in said county; the said damages to be recovered in the same manner that is or shall be prescribed by law for the recovery of debts.