

be recovered in the name of said company, by an action of debt before any Justice of the Peace or in the Circuit Court of the county in which such damages shall be sustained, and also be subject to an indictment in the Circuit Court for the county where such offences may be committed, and upon conviction of such offence, shall be punished by fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.

Sec. 23. *And be it enacted*, That the said company shall have the right to construct a line or lines of wires of telegraph on any routes over which, by their charter they have the right to construct a Railroad, and for that purpose shall be entitled to the benefit of all the provisions contained in the twenty-sixth Article of the Code of Public General Laws, from section one hundred and two, to section one hundred and twenty-one inclusive, or so much of said provisions as may be applicable thereto.

Authority to
construct tele-
graph wires.

Sec. 24. *And be it enacted*, That should the road or roads not be commenced within three years from the passage of this Act, and not be finished within five years thereafter, then this Act shall be null and void.

To be null
and void.

Sec. 25. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

In force.

CHAPTER 147.

AN ACT to incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Somerset and Worcester counties.

Passed Mar.
13, 1867.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Levin Woolford, Hampden A. Dashiell, Purnell Toadvine, Humphrey Humphreys, George R. Dennis, Nathaniel Dixon, Jr., Andrew J. Crawford, Levin T. H. Irving, Wm. J. S. Clarke, John R. Franklin, Levin J. M.

Incorporated
—power and
privileges.