

CHAP. 167.

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*An Act to incorporate a Company to make a Turnpike Road from the City of Baltimore to Havre-de-Grace.* Lib. TH. No. 4, fol. 210.

Supplements, 1814, ch. 49; 1816, ch. 168; and 1817, ch. 133.

Company to be incorporated

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a company shall be incorporated to make a turnpike road from the city of Baltimore to the town of Havre-de-Grace.

Number and prices of shares. Commissioners

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That subscription books shall be opened on or before the first Monday of March next at Baltimore, Bush-town, Abington and Havre-de-Grace, for a capital stock for said company of sixty thousand dollars, in twenty-four hundred shares of twenty-five dollars each, under the direction of the following commissioners, or any one of them, to wit: At Havre-de-Grace by Elijah Davis, Mark Pringle, Samuel Hughes, George Gale, John Stump, of Cecil, Samuel Jay and William B. Stokes; at Bush-town by Edward Hall, Samuel G. Griffith and Josias Hall; at Abington by William Hall, John Monk and William Allen; at Baltimore by Josias C. Hall, Charles Ridgely of Hampton, Isaac Tyson, William Lorman, John Beale Howard, James Beattie, John H. Barney, Thomas H. Sheppard, Robert Patterson, John Gadsby, Joseph Biays, Thomas Sheppard and John Stockton.

When 800 shares are subscribed, president and managers, &c. to be chosen.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when eight hundred shares of said stock shall have been subscribed, the commissioners shall give twenty days public notice, of the time and place appointed for the subscribers to meet to organize said institution, and choose, by plurality of votes, by ballot, a president and eight managers, (five of whom shall form a quorum,) a treasurer, and such other officers as they shall deem necessary, to conduct the affairs of the company until the first Monday in January thereafter, and until a new election, and to make such by-laws as they shall deem necessary, and on the first Monday of January in every year, or within ten days thereafter, said company shall meet for the same purposes at such place as the president and managers shall appoint, and in all elections by stockholders each share shall be entitled to one vote, but no person or company shall have more than ten votes.

Stockholders incorporated.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the stockholders in the said company shall be and they are hereby created and erected into a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of The Baltimore and Havre-de-Grace Turnpike Company, and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and shall be capable of suing and being sued, answering and being answered, and of enlarging their stock by new subscriptions if the same shall be found necessary.

Installments.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the sums so subscribed shall be paid to the president and managers aforesaid, in such sums, and at such times, as they may appoint, giving two months public notice of the payment so required.

Commissioners to be appointed to lay out said road. Their oath.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president and managers be and they are hereby authorised to appoint five commissioners, who, or a majority of whom agreeing, shall lay out the road from the city of Baltimore to the Town of Havre-de-Grace, on as straight a line as the nature of the country will admit, having regard to hills and other obstructions(a), and after having laid out and mark-

(a) By 1816, ch. 168, and 1817, ch. 133, any part of the location of the road may be altered, causing plots thereof to be filed, &c.