

**CHAP. 32.** tion the advantages and disadvantages, if any; and the damages so ascertained shall be levied and assessed as other county charges are, and shall be paid over to the persons respectively through whose lands the said road may pass, except as before excepted.

Commissioners compensation

4. **AND BE IT ENACTED,** That the said commissioners shall be entitled to receive a compensation for their attendance and services in discharge of their duties of this act, not exceeding two dollars per day, to be ascertained by the Levy court, which is hereby directed to be levied, collected and paid, as other county charges are.

**CHAP. XXXIII.**

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*An Act for erecting a Bridge over the Potomac, near Williamsport in Washington County. Lib. TH. No. 4, fol. 441.*

Preamble

**WHEREAS** it is represented to this general assembly by the inhabitants of Williamsport, and its vicinity, in Washington county, that they, together with a number of other inhabitants of Virginia, are desirous of forming a company for the purpose of erecting a bridge over the Potomac; therefore,

Managers appointed—their duties.

1. **BE IT ENACTED,** by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Jacob T. Towson, Edward G. Williams, Samuel Ringgold, John Buchanan, Matthew Van Lear, Robert T. Friend, Rawleigh Colston, Elisha Boyd, Archibald Shearer and Thomas C. Smith, be and they are hereby appointed managers to do and perform the several duties herein after named; that is to say, they, or any two of them, shall and may, on or before the first day of May next, procure one or more books, as to them shall seem necessary, and shall enter therein as follows: "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, promise to pay to the president, directors and company, for erecting a bridge over the Potomac river, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents at the time of subscribing, and the sum of two dollars and fifty cents every sixty days thereafter, until twenty dollars be paid upon every share of stock in said company set opposite our respective names;" and shall thereupon proceed to receive subscriptions for the stock of the said company, which is hereby declared to be the sum of forty thousand dollars, divided into two thousand shares of twenty dollars each, at such time and place as they think proper, of which three weeks notice shall be given in the two newspapers published at Hager's-town, and shall keep the said books open for the space of three weeks, unless the whole number of shares be sooner subscribed for, which subscriptions may be made in person, or by proxy; and in case the whole number of shares shall not be subscribed for in that time, the said managers, or any two of them, shall give notice as aforesaid of the time and place where the remaining shares may be subscribed for.

Election of president and directors

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED,** That as soon as one thousand shares shall be subscribed for, the said managers, or any two of them, shall call a meeting of the stockholders, who shall proceed in person, or by proxy, to the election by ballot of nine directors; and the said directors shall elect one of their number to act as president, who shall with the directors continue in office one year, and until a new election of directors shall thereafter be made; and the said stockholders, in one year after the day on which the election shall be first made, and on the same day in every year thereafter, except the same shall happen on Sunday, and in that case on the