

CHAP. 155.

Tolls may be increased

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said president and directors for the time being, shall have full power and authority to increase the tolls allowed to them by the said act, and its several supplements, as much as they may deem proper, provided that they shall not be more than double in amount in any of the cases provided for by said laws.

Fines may be imposed

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president and directors shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to fix and impose such fines on persons passing over their bridge, as shall be regulated by rules to be by them printed and affixed at the entrances of said bridge, provided said fines shall in no case for a single offence exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars.

How to be recovered

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all fines that may be imposed by said president and directors under the provisions of this act, they the said president and directors may recover by a common warrant, in the name of the president and directors as aforesaid, before a single justice of the peace either in Harford or Cecil county, and it shall be sufficient that the offence was committed on the said bridge to authorise the rendition of judgment in either of the counties aforesaid.

Suits for recovery of arrearages

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when any suit has been or shall hereafter be brought in any court of this state, by the said president and directors, for the recovery of any arrearages due from subscribers, for their capital stock, it shall be sufficient for the said president and directors to declare for money had and received, and give the original act, to which this is a supplement, together with its several supplements, and the special matter in evidence; and that in all suit or suits already brought, or hereafter to be brought, by the said president and directors, the defendant or defendants, or either of them, may upon the general issue give in evidence any matter or thing that could have been well pleaded in bar to the said action, any law or usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Punishment for burning bridge

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons shall wilfully and feloniously set fire to, or burn, any part of said bridge, he, she or they, as the case may be, shall be deemed and taken to be guilty of arson, and upon being thereof convict shall suffer such punishment as is or may be provided by law for persons guilty of arson.

CHAP. CLIV.

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An Act to regulate Lotteries. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 80.
Supplements. ch. 210; and 1818, ch. 179.

Lotteries heretofore authorised, proceedings relative thereto

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the *General Assembly of Maryland*, That in all cases where lotteries have been heretofore authorised, under which power is given to raise a particular sum of money by one or more lotteries, and the managers may have drawn a lottery or lotteries, the scheme of which purported to raise the sum authorised to be raised, that in all such cases the power and authority given to raise money thereby, be and the same is hereby considered as completed, and the power to draw any other lottery or lotteries, under the same authority, be and the same is hereby declared at an end, and the act authorising the same is repealed; *Provided*, that the prohibition in this section contained shall not extend to the *Sup-*

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