

to determine, whose award shall be final and conclusive of such value; and in case the two referees thus chosen should not agree, they shall appoint an umpire, and an award signed by any two of the Board of Referees thus provided for, shall be final, and the amount thus ascertained shall be collectable by this corporation in any of the Courts of Law in this State, or before any Justice of the Peace of this State; should the amount of such award be too small to give a Court of Law jurisdiction, the said arbitrators shall be chosen the one by the party whose property is preserved or saved from loss or damage, and the other by the president or other proper officer of this corporation; and should the party whose property is cared for as aforesaid by this corporation refuse to admit any assessment or charge for such services, and refuse also to name an arbitrator as herein provided for, then the board of management of this corporation shall be empowered, and they are hereby empowered to appoint an *ex parte* Board of Referees to consist of three citizens of the city of Baltimore, who shall be first sworn according to law, to make a careful investigation of such service and render an impartial award; which said Board of Referees shall consider and determine the value of the services rendered by this corporation, and shall make their award setting forth the same; which award shall be in writing, signed and sworn to by them; when the value of the services rendered by this corporation in any case is thus ascertained, this corporation is empowered to sue for and recover the same as in the case of any other debt due the corporation.

Award.

Referees.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the affairs of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by a Board of Management; which Board shall be elected by ballot annually, on the third Monday in May by the members of this corporation; the Board shall then elect its own officers and have power from time to time

Management.