

Kent Island, and that the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall meet on the first Monday in March next, for the purpose of ascertaining what part of the Narrows would be the most eligible over which to build a bridge, and for the purpose of contracting for, or otherwise causing the same to be constructed under their immediate superintendance.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners aforesaid shall have full power and authority to ascertain and fix on the site of the said bridge, and if the site shall be in a place different from the place where the ferry-boat now crosses, and it shall be necessary to make a new road, the commissioners shall have power to agree with the owner of the lands through which the said road shall pass, for so much land as may be necessary for said road, and also for the construction of the said bridge; and if the owner or owners cannot agree with the commissioners as to the price and value of the said lands, either party may apply to two of justices of the peace for said county, who shall thereupon issue their warrant to the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, directing him to summon twenty good and sufficient jurors, to appear on a day and at a place limited and appointed in the said warrant, from whom shall be struck a jury of twelve, according to the laws of this state, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the value of the land fixed on, and appropriated by the commissioners as aforesaid to the bridge and road, and shall return an inquisition thereof to the justices as aforesaid.

To fix on a site and contract with owners for land, &c

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners shall make a return of an abstract of the proceedings to Queen-Anne's county court, who shall have power to inquire into the regularity of the proceedings in relation to the position to the said bridge and road; and if the same shall be ratified by the court, a record thereof shall be made by the clerk of Queen-Anne's county, in the records of the same, and the said land there appropriated shall be and remain for the use of the public as other public roads in the said county.

To make return of their proceedings to county court

4. *And be it enacted*, That the levy court of the county are hereby authorised and required, to levy on the county, at their next levy, or at their first levy in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-one, as in their discretion they may think proper, the sum of two thousand dollars, to be applied, at the discretion of the commissioners, to the object of building or erecting the said bridge, and also so much as may be necessary to pay for the lands appropriated by them as aforesaid.

Levy authorised

5. *And be it enacted*, That if after building the said bridge, a balance should be left in the hands of the collector of said county, it shall be paid over to the treasurer of the levy court, and a statement of the costs of the bridge lodged by the commissioners with the clerk, to be filed among the papers of his office.

If balance should be left to be paid over to treasurer of levy court

6. *And be it enacted*, That when the said bridge shall be finished and completed, it shall be the duty of the commissioners aforesaid to return a certificate thereof to the levy court, who shall thereupon have the power to appoint a good and sufficient person to have the care of the said bridge, with such salary as they shall think proper and just, which appointment shall be annually made, and whose duty it shall be to receive from person or persons, *now** residents of said county, such tolls as the levy court shall fix and as-

When finished a certificate thereof to be returned to levy court, &c

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