

Sec. 14. *And be it enacted*, That the full and entire assent of the State of Maryland be and is hereby given to the provisions of any law now enacted, or that may hereafter be enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, authorizing the borrowing of money by the said Rail Road Company.

Assent of the State given.

Sec. 15. *And be it enacted*, That the President and Directors of said Company, or a majority of them or their agents, may agree with the owner or owners of any lands through which the Road shall be intended to pass, earth, timber, gravel, or other materials important for the construction or repair of any part of said Road or its works for the purchase or use or occupation of the same, and in case they cannot agree, or if the owner or owners or any of them be *feme covert*, under age, *non compos mentis*, or out of the county in which the property wanted may be when such land or material may be needed, on application to a Justice of the Peace in such county, he shall issue his warrant under his hand and seal, directed to the Sheriff of the said county, requiring him to summon a jury of twelve inhabitants of said county, not related to or in anywise interested in the premises, to meet on the land to be valued on a day to be specified in said warrant, not less than ten nor more than thirty days after issuing said warrant, and in case any of the jury aforesaid do not appear, the Sheriff shall instantly summon as many jurors as may be necessary with the jurors in attendance as to furnish a panel of twelve jurors, and from them each party, his, her or their agents or if either be not present in person or by agent, the Sheriff may strike off three for each of the absent parties, and the remaining six shall act as the jury of inquest for damages, and before they act as such, the Sheriff shall administer to each of them an oath or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will justly and impartially value the damages and benefits which the owner or owners of said land will sustain by the use or occupation of the same required by the Company, and if required by the party or parties whose lands are to be effected by their proceedings or by the said Rail Road Company, the jury shall cause to be sum-

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