Powers of the corporation.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the corporation aforesaid shall have full power and authority to enact and pass all ordinances necessary for paving and keeping in repair the streets, lanes and alleys, in the city aforesaid; to make and keep in repair all necessary drains and sewers, as well in the city as precincts; to tax any particular* part or district of the city, for paving the streets, lanes, or alleys therein, or for sinking wells or erecting pumps, which may appear for the benefit of such particular part or district; to establish and regulate guagers and their fees, and the fees of all the corporation officers; to license and regulate brokers, sedan chairs, hackney coaches, or other carriages kept for hire, and employed within the city, and also draymen, wagoners, carters, porters and watermen residing and employed within the said city, with powers to make all necessary regulations respecting the same, to direct in future in what parts of the city buildings of wood shall not be erected; to erect and provide magazines for the storage of all gunpowder brought to the city or precincts, and to compel the same to be stored in said magazines, and to regulate the price of said storage; to prevent the storage of naval stores, or other combustible matter, in such quantities or places within the city or precincts, as may be deemed dangerous to the safety of the same; to erect or build houses of correction, hospitals or pest-houses, within or without the city, if necessary, and to pass all ordinances for the government of the same; to make a new assessment of all real and personal property as often as it may be necessary; to punish corporally any servant or slave guilty of a breach of any ordinance, unless the master or mistress pay the fine annexed to the offence; to prevent the making new docks or canals without the consent of the corporation; and to add to the city any of the adjoining lands, on the application and with the consent of the owners, and to lay off the necessary streets, lanes and alleys through the same, giving them the rights and privileges, and subjecting them to the laws and ordinances of the city.

* See 1817, ch. 148, sec. 18.

Charter made perpetual.

* Ch. 68.

Ordinances
of the corporation
declared
valid.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That an act of assembly, entitled, an act to erect Baltimore town, in Baltimore county, into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-six,* with this supplement, shall be, and are hereby enacted and declared to be perpetual, except where altered by this act; and that all acts and ordinances passed, or to be passed, by and under the authority of the same, are hereby enacted and declared to be good and valid to all intents and purposes whatsoever.