Its object.

And arrangement.

which he shall cause to be entered and recorded, all descriptions or designations of lots, or pieces of ground, as herein after mentioned, and all claims that may be filed by virtue of this act, together with the day of filing the same, and he shall cause the names, as well of the owner of the lot, or piece of ground, as of the contractor, architect, or builder, if such be named, and of the person claiming any lien under this act, to be alphabetically indexed therein.

Books provided by owner of lot.

Boundaries of lot de-

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the owner of any lot, or piece of ground, who may be desirous of erecting, or of contracting with any other person for the erection of any building, as aforesaid, to declare or define, in writing, the boundaries of the lot, or curtilage appurtenant to such building, previously to the commencement thereof, and cause the same to be entered in a book aforesaid, and such designation of boundaries so made and entered upon record, shall be obligatory upon all persons concerned.

therein. Made obligatory.

scribed

Case of no such designation.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That in default of such designation of boundaries, previously to the commencement of any building, it shall be lawful for the owner of such lot, or piece of ground, or for any person having a lien upon the same, by mortgage, judgment, or otherwise, or entitled to a lien by virtue of this act, to apply by petition, in writing, to the city commissioners of the city of Baltimore, to designate the boundaries aforesaid.

Proceedings directed.

Commissioners authorized to examine and report.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of said commissioners to examine the building, or place at which such building is being erected, and to make a report to the clerk of Baltimore county court, in which they shall sufficiently designate and describe, by notes and bounds, with their courses and distances, and by a draft, if necessary, the limits and extent of ground necessary for the convenient use of such buildings, for the purposes for which it was designed, and such report shall be entered at length upon the record book aforesaid. and if approved by the court shall be conclusive upon all persons concerned; the said commissioners to be governed and regulated in all respects, by the same rules and regulations that govern them in establishing boundaries within the limits of the city of Baltimore.

Recorded.

Rules prescribed.

Case of execution ssued.

Stay authorized.

SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That if execution shall be awarded for the levy and sale of any lot, or piece of ground upon which a building shall be erected as aforesaid, before the boundaries of the lot, or curtilage, which ought to be appurtenant thereto, shall be designated, it shall be lawful for the court, upon application, to stay such execution, until such designation shall be made, and thereupon order the sale to proceed in such manner, and for such part, or parts, and in such parcels