mentis, or out of the State, the corporation may apply to a Justice of the Peace of the county in which such property is situated, and he shall issue his warrant to the Sheriff of the county requiring him to summon a jury to meet on the land at a day therein specified and being not more than ten nor less than five days thereafter.

Sec. 15. And be it enacted, That the said Sheriff Jurors. shall accordingly summon eighteen disinterested men, not related to either party, and if any of them do not attend, he may summon or call others immediately to make up the number of eighteen, each party shall have a right in person or by agent or attorney, if present at the time, to strike off three, and the Sheriff shall strike off such as shall not be so stricken off by the parties until the number shall be reduced to twelve who shall be a jury.

Sec. 16. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff Damage. shall then administer an oath or affirmation to every person of the jury that he will impartially and to the best of skill and judgment value the land or other property required by the corporation, and also (if the same be land required for the construction of road or work,) the damage which the owner will sustain, if any, by the taking of the land for such use; the jury shall accordingly inquire of such value and damage and make report thereof in writing, to be signed by them all, and setting forth (in case of land) the boundaries of the land and the estate, interest or use to be taken by the corporation, such inquisition and report shall be returned by the Sheriff to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county.

Sec. 17. And be it enacted, That such inquisi- Inquisition. tion and report shall be confirmed by such Court unless good cause be shown to the contrary, and when confirmed shall be recorded by the Clerk, but for cause the Court may sit it aside and order another inquisition or more than one from time to time to be conducted in like manner as the first and with like effect, until an inquisition and report shall be confirmed by the Court upon such confirmation of the first or any subsequent inquisition and report, and upon payment or tender of

the amount fixed in the inquisition to be paid by