

PUBLIC LANDINGS.

63. In all cases where the public convenience requires it, the county commissioners shall have power to establish a public landing upon any navigable river or canal.

64. Upon all applications to establish a public landing, the same proceedings shall be had as on applications to open a public road.

DRAINING LANDS.

65. Whenever the owner or owners of any swamps or low grounds shall deem it fit to have them drained, (if the owners of said lands cannot agree, or should any be *femes covert*, infants, non compos mentis, or non-residents of the county where the lands are situated,) they, or any of them, may petition the county commissioners sitting in the county where such swamp or low ground, or any part thereof, is situated, for the appointment of commissioners to lay out a ditch or ditches for that purpose, and the said commissioners shall thereupon appoint three judicious and impartial freeholders of the neighborhood as such commissioners.

66. The commissioners so appointed, being first duly sworn to execute their duties faithfully and impartially, shall call to their assistance a skilful surveyor, sworn in like manner, and shall go upon, and view the swamps or low grounds mentioned in the petition, and lay out by specified courses and distances, breadths and depths, such ditch or ditches as shall be sufficient to drain the said swamps or low grounds.

67. They shall estimate the probable cost or expenses, including damages, if any, of cutting such ditch or ditches, and the sum or proportion thereof which each owner or possessor or person benefited shall be bound to pay.

68. They shall make out and return to the county commissioners, at their next meeting thereafter to which it may be practicable, a report in writing, under their hands, with a plat or map attached, containing a description by general delineation, without survey, of the boundary lines of the swamp or low ground mentioned in the petition, and also a delineation of each owner's or possessor's lot or parcel, with the estimated quantity of acres the same may contain, with the name of every person to whom