

ed in virtue of any ordinance, to ascertain the value of the property which the city may wish to acquire for the purposes aforesaid, or the damages which will be caused, or the benefits which will accrue, by the construction of the aforesaid works of improvement, and to secure to every owner or possessor of any property or right to property, which the said Mayor and City Council thus proposes to acquire, or which may be thus decided to be damaged or benefited, the right on application within a time to be prescribed by any ordinance of said Mayor and City Council, to have decided by a jury trial, the true value of the property proposed to be acquired for the purposes aforesaid, and whether any, and what damage will be caused, or any and what benefit will accrue to the owner or possessor of the property so assessed for damages and benefits, respectively, and further to provide for collecting and paying over the amount of compensation adjudged to each person entitled, or investing it in stock of the said Corporation, leaving not less than five per cent. interest for the use of the person so adjudged, to be entitled to the same; and to provide for the collection by the sale of the property assessed or otherwise, of all sums assessed as benefits as aforesaid; and generally to enact and pass all ordinances, from time to time, which shall be deemed necessary and proper to exercise the powers, and effect the objects, for the exercise and accomplishment of which this Act is passed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore is hereby authorized and empowered to define and locate the limits of Jones' Falls within the City of Baltimore, and to acquire by purchase or condemnation under proceedings for which provision is made in the second section of this Act, the absolute and exclusive right and title to all the land and rights of property embraced within the said limits, and in the ground covered by all streets or avenues which the said Mayor and City Council shall lay out and condemn on the sides of said stream, the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have an estate in fee simple; and the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have power, and it is hereby authorized to construct wharves, or quays, along the margin of said stream, or use the said streets and avenues for wharf or quay purposes, and collect tolls and wharfage from all vessels or boats using the same.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore is hereby authorized and empowered to make such changes in the grades of the streets in the city as shall, in the judgment of the said Mayor and City Council, be necessary and requisite for the proper construction of the works connected with the improvement of Jones' Falls which said Mayor and City Council may deter-