

enty, chapter two hundred and forty, entitled "An Act to repeal section thirty-nine of article twenty of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled 'Talbot county,' and to re-enact the same with amendments," to read as follows :

Damage. SUB-SEC. 1. If the damage sustained by any person or persons, by making the improvements provided for in the preceding section, cannot be ascertained in either of the modes therein provided, the said commissioners may make application to any Justice of the Peace of said county, who shall thereupon issue his warrant, under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of said county, requiring him to summon a jury of twenty inhabitants, free-holders of said county, not related nor in any wise interested, to meet on the premises on a day named in said warrant, not less than ten nor more than twenty days after the issuing of the same, and if, at said time and place, any of said jurors summoned do not attend, the said sheriff shall immediately summon as many jurors as may be necessary, with the jurors in attendance, to furnish a panel of twenty jurors in attendance, and from them each party, or its, his or their agents, or if either be not present in person or by agent, the sheriff, for him, her, it or them, may strike off four jurors, and the remaining twelve shall act as the jury of inquest of damages, and before they act as such the said sheriff shall administer to each of them an oath or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will justly and impartially value the damage which the owner or owners will sustain by the removal of said house or houses, or obstructions; and the said jury shall reduce their inquisition to writing, and shall sign and seal the same, and it shall then be returned by said sheriff to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county, and be filed in his court, and shall be confirmed by said court at its next session, if no sufficient cause to the contrary be shown, and when confirmed, shall be recorded by said clerk at the expense of said town; but if set aside, the said court may direct another inquisition to be taken in the manner above described, and such valuation, when paid or tendered to the owner or owners of

Summon a jury to assess

To qualify.

Reduce inquisition to writing.

Set aside.