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An Act for extending North Street, on the east side of Jones's Falls, in the City of Baltimore. Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 193.

A Supplement, 1817, ch. 37.

Preamble

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by a number of the inhabitants of the city and precincts of Baltimore, that their convenience would be greatly promoted by the extension of North street in a straight direction to Jones'-street; and the said representation appearing reasonable and just, therefore,

Mayor to appoint commissioners to assess damages

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the mayor of the city of Baltimore be, and he is hereby empowered, to appoint five freeholders, inhabitants of the city and precincts, not interested in the premises, commissioners, who, after having given at least ten days notice in one or more of the public papers of Baltimore, shall at any time before the first day of May next(a), first being duly sworn, proceed to assess and value what damages will be sustained by any person or persons whomsoever, by reason of extending the aforesaid street, taking all benefits and inconveniences into consideration, and shall also declare what sum of money each individual, benefitted thereby, shall respectively contribute and pay towards compensating the person or persons injured by the opening and extending the said street; and the names of the person or persons, and the sums of money which they shall be respectively obliged to pay, shall be returned, under the hands and seals of the commissioners appointed as aforesaid, to the register of the city, to be filed and kept in his office; and the person or persons benefitted by the opening and extending said street, shall respectively pay the sum or sums of money so assessed and charged to him, her or them, with interest thereon, at the rate of six per cent. for the time limited for the payment thereof.

(a) See 1817, ch. 37.

to be extended

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That the city commissioners be and they are hereby empowered, to open and extend the said street from the point of its intersection with High street, in a straight direction, until it intersects Jones'-street, and thence in a straight direction to Jones's Falls(b); and the said street when so opened and extended, and when the valuation and assessment herein before directed to be made shall have taken place, shall be deemed and taken, and is hereby declared to be, a public street and highway for ever thereafter; and the said city commissioners are hereby required to return a plot, ascertaining the limits and extent of the said street, when so opened and extended, to the register of the city of Baltimore, who shall receive and file the same as part of the plot of the city of Baltimore; and in case the obstructions in the said street are not removed within thirty days after the money charged and assessed as aforesaid is paid or tendered, the city commissioners aforesaid are hereby authorised and directed to remove the same without delay, and to charge the expenses of such removal in proportions among the several persons benefitted by the opening and extending of the said street, according to the benefit which they may have been estimated to have received agreeably to the assessment and valuation aforesaid.

(b) See 1817, ch. 37, directing how the street shall be extended.