

best direction that the nature of the ground will admit, from Francis Holland's landing, on Patapsco river, until it intersects the road leading from Hammond's ferry to the city of Annapolis between Harrison's quarter and the Saw-mill run; and the said road, when so surveyed, laid out and opened, and the valuation hereinafter directed to be made shall have taken place, shall be recorded by the clerk of Anne-Arundel county, and shall for ever thereafter be deemed and taken to be a public highway, and kept in repair as other public roads in said county.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose lands the said road shall pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the same, when so assessed, shall be paid, or secured to be paid, by the said Francis Holland to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, before the said road, after it is laid off, shall be opened and cleared.

Damages to be ascertained.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That Zachariah Mackubin, George Ellicott and Ezekiel John Dorsey, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to straighten and amend the road now open and used, from James Croxall's point, on the river Patapsco, until it intersects the George-town road at or near Mrs. Carroll's bridge, on Gwim's falls, in Baltimore county, of a width not exceeding thirty feet, and the said road, when so straightened and amended, and the valuation hereinafter directed to be made shall have taken place, shall be recorded by the clerk of Baltimore county, and shall for ever thereafter be deemed and taken to be a public highway, and kept in repair as other public roads in said county.

Commissioners appointed to straighten a certain road.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners last named, or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose lands the road last described shall pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the same, when so assessed, shall be paid, or secured to be paid, by the said James Croxall, to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, within six months after the said damages shall be ascertained in the mode prescribed by this act.

Damages to be ascertained.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons through whose lands the said roads shall pass, or his, her or their guardian or trustee, shall conceive himself, herself or themselves, aggrieved by such valuation and assessment of damages by the said commissioners respectively, it shall and may be lawful for any justice of the peace, on his, her or their application, to issue his warrant, under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of the county, commanding him to summon twelve disinterested men, qualified by law to serve as jurors in the county court, to meet upon the premises on a certain day, of which ten days notice at least shall be given to the party or parties interested; and the said jurors, when so met, and having each first taken an oath, before some justice of the peace, that he will, without favour, affection, prejudice or partiality, assess the damages sustained by the person or persons at whose request such inquisition shall be taken, by reason of opening the aforesaid road through his, her or their land, shall thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly, taking into

In case persons conceive themselves aggrieved, jury may be summoned.