ten thousand dollars. And the bonds not sold and issued shall be cancelled as aforesaid and be publicly destroyed, Unsold bonds and entry in ink to that effect and of the date thereof being stroyed. made in the books aforementioned opposite the number of the bonds so destroyed. And the Commissioners shall be empowered to adopt in writing such orders for the payment of money due and payable to the contractors for the construction and establishment of the water works not in conflict with the provisions of this Act, as shall, from time to time, be earned by said contractor in prosecution of the work, the payment of property purchased or condemned and for material and labor furnished in pursuance of the provisions of this Act. The Commissioners shall employ a competent water-Water works works engineer to prepare the plans and specifications for the said water works and to superintend and to pass upon in his person the kind, quality and character of all material and labor used in the construction and maintenance of said water works and compensate him therefor in such sum of money, to be paid in such portions and at such times as they shall order, first to be agreed upon in writing by and between him and them; provided, such compensation or portions thereof so agreed upon or otherwise paid to him shall not exceed five per centum of the actual costs of the said water works. The plans and specifications shall be the property of the town of Delmar, Maryland, and be filed in the office of the Commissioners and be open to inspection and examination by any person interested, under the care of their clerk. The Commissioners shall invite sealed proposals for the construction Sealed proand establishment of such water works by advertisement in posals. some newspaper for a reasonable length of time; provided, such advertisement appears in three successive issues of the Engineering News, a publication published in the City of New York, State of New York, for at least two weeks before any proposal or proposals shall be opened and considered. The proposals shall be in sealed envelopes addressed to the president of the Commissioners of Delmar, Maryland, and bear on its face the inscription, "Proposals for Construction of Water Works." The proposals shall be opened in the office of the Commissioners by the clerk of the Town Commissioners in their presence and such other persons, if any, who choose to be present on the day and at the hour named in the advertisement for the proposals. Said proposals shall set forth the amount of money for which the parties proposing will construct and establish such water works, and any specified sort or portion thereof, according to the plans and specifica-