CHAPTER 171.

AN ACT to repeal sections four, twelve, and fifteen, of an act passed and approved April fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter two hundred and sixty, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Laurel, in Prince George's county, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *And be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That sections four, twelve, and fifteen, of an act passed and approved April fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter two hundred and sixty, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Laurel, in Prince George's county, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted to read as follows : *Repealed and re-enacted*

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the male citzens of said town, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, having resided therein for the space of six months next preceeding the first Monday in May next, may on that day, at the place where elections are held in said town, and on the first Monday in May, in each and every year thereafter, be authorized to elect five commissioners for said town, who shall serve for one year or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. *Elect commissioners*

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That no person shall be eligible as commissioner of said town, unless he is a holder of real estate, and shall have resided within the limits of the same for at least one year next preceeding the election, and said commissioners shall each give bond to said town of Laurel, in the penalty of one thousand dollars for the faithful discharge of their duties as such commissioners; and suit may be brought thereon, in the name of said town, for any violation of the condition of such bonds. *Eligibility.* *Give bond*

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners may, as often as deemed advisible, cause an assessment to be made of all real and personal property within the limits of the corporation by a person to be appointed and paid by them, which assessment shall not exceed the present assessment of the same property for county purposes, except where improvements *Make assessment*