

straightening, altering or closing of any old road, or part of any old road they may make application in writing to the County Commissioners, setting forth as near as may be the length and location of the road so petitioned for, and the County Commissioners shall give notice in one or more papers published in Baltimore county for two successive weeks that application has been made and examination granted to take place on the premises at a stated time not less than twenty days from the date of said notice, and they shall issue an order to three discreet disinterested tax payers of Baltimore county, who, or a majority of them shall constitute a Board of Examiners in each case, directing them to meet upon the premises at the time appointed in said notice, and after making examination to determine if the public convenience requires the granting of said application, and if the Board of Examiners or a majority of them shall determine that the public convenience requires such road, they shall employ a competent surveyor who shall under their direction survey said road and make a plat of the same.

Give notice.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That the examiners shall then return to the County Commissioners the plat aforesaid, together with a report signed by them or a majority of them, stating that they have judged said road to be for the benefit and convenience of the public and their reasons therefor; and if they determine that said road is not for the public convenience and ought not to be granted, they shall return to the County Commissioners a report declaring such opinion and their reasons therefor.

Return

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted,* That whenever any road shall be located and surveyed as a public road, the Board of Examiners shall make an estimate of the cost of said road, and shall assess the damages and benefits of the same upon the individuals interested, and the district or districts respectively in such proportion as they may deem just and proper, and shall furnish to the County Commissioners a report of such assessment. And if any person or persons, body corporate or district shall feel aggrieved by the award, report, return or proceedings of said Board of Examiners, he, she, they or it shall within thirty days after said report is filed in the office of said

Located and surveyed.

Aggrieved.