in each and every year hereafter, at any place, or at any CHAP. 237. time or times which may be agreed on by the said directors, or a majority of them, for the transaction of business.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the costs, charges and Payment for cutexpenses of cutting and opening said ditch or drain, shall ing. be paid by the respective proprietors of the same, each paying for the cutting or opening the drain through his or her own land, except when it shall so happen that two or more of the said proprietors hold parts of said branch, through which the said ditch or drain shall be made, adjoining each other, part on one side thereof and part on the other, in which case each shall pay in proportion to the part he or she shall or may hold.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the said directors, or a Power of director majority of them, shall have full power and authority at any time thereafter, to cut, open or complete said drain or ditch, and also, from time to time, to repair or clean, and Repairing. keep open in good order, that said ditch or drain so to be made and cut in virtue of this act, at the expense of said proprietors, in the same proportion that the expenses of cutting and opening the said ditch or drain are to be paid, and for the cutting or opening the said ditch or drain in the first instance, and of repairing and cleansing the same when cut and opened, the said directors, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised to apportion what they may conceive the expenses thereof will amount to, and demand and receive such proportion from the said proprietors reapectively before, or at any time after the commencement of the said work, or after the same is finished; and the said directors, or a majority of them, are hereby empowered to sell and convey, or in any wise dispose of any part or parcel of vacant land, lying and being in said German's Branch, which aforesaid ditch or drain may pass through, or any part or parcel that may not be claimed by any person or persons, Apply proceeds. and apply the proceeds of said sale to the cutting, draining and cleansing of said branch as aforesaid.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That in case the said proprie- Case of failure to ors, or any of them, shall not pay to the said directors, his, her or their respective proportion of any sum of money, fixed and apportioned by the said directors as aforesaid, for the purpose of opening, cutting, cleansing or repairing the said ditch or drain, within forty days after demand of the same by the said directors, or a majority of them, it shall and may be lawful for the said directors, or a majority of them, to collect the proportion due from such delinquent proprietor or proprietors, by distress and public sale, of any goods or chattels of such proprietor or proprietors, of