

are hereby authorised and required to widen Gay street, formerly Bridge street, in said city, thirty feet on the north west side thereof, from High street eastwardly, to the city line, and said street when so widened, is hereby declared a public street and highway, of the width of twenty-nine and a half feet, from High street to the east line of Union street, (now Potter street,) and shall be subject to the like rules and regulations as other public streets of the city, the footways of which shall be of such width as the city commissioners shall fix and determine.

Declared a high way.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Mayor of the city of Baltimore shall, on or before the first day of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, appoint five disinterested freeholders, assessors, who having first taken an oath before some justice of the peace, for the city of Baltimore, to decide without favor, affection or partiality, shall proceed forthwith to value and assess the damages which may be sustained by the respective owners of the lots of ground upon which the said street shall be so widened, and also to designate the property to be benefitted thereby, taking into consideration all the advantages and disadvantages, which damages they shall apportion amongst the owners of the property benefitted, and make return of their proceedings, on or before the first day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty three, including all necessary and reasonable costs and expenses incurred, or to be incurred in virtue of this law, under their hands and seals, to the Register of the city of Baltimore, who shall file and keep the same in his office.

Method of ascertaining damages and benefits.

Proceeding directed.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the damages when so valued and assessed, from time to time, shall be a lien upon the property so ascertained and determined to be benefitted, until their respective proportions of said damages shall have been paid.

The damages made a lien on property.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the assessors aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive two dollars per day, as a compensation for their services, in performing the duties required of them by this act.

Compensation to assessors.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the city collector of Baltimore, be, and is hereby authorised to collect the said damages, costs and expenses, in the same manner, that the city taxes of said city are authorised to be collected, and in case of neglect or refusal to pay, he shall proceed to make the same by public sale of the property of the person or persons so neglecting or refusing, ascertained and determined to be benefitted as aforesaid, or so much thereof, as shall be necessary, he giving at least thirty days notice of the time and place of such sale previous thereto, in two or more

Authority to collect.

Proceedings directed.