

Court in which such petition may be filed may and shall pass an order requiring the corporation against which such petition is filed to show cause on or before a certain day not less than ten nor more than twenty days from the service of notice upon it, why the prayer of the petition should not be granted, and provided that a copy of said petition and such order is served upon such corporation; and either upon default of such corporation to show cause, or upon hearing of the matter, the said judge, if he deems said road not to be in reasonable repair and such a course proper and necessary, shall pass an order directing the sheriff to summon a jury of not more than six persons, who shall be freeholders, not interested in such roads, unless it be as the users thereof, to meet on the part or parts of the road mentioned in such petition, upon a day to be named in such order, and said jurors being first sworn by such sheriff, true inquiry to make as to the condition of the road complained of, shall view the part or parts of the road complained of and determine upon such view and the evidence of such witnesses as may be produced by the petitioners or the company as to the condition of such road and the time such condition may have continued; and an inquisition in writing specifying with particularity the places and the character of such places in such road, if any, which are not in the condition required by the terms of the law under and by which such company was incorporated, shall be signed and sealed by such jurors and returned by the sheriff to the clerk's office of the Circuit Court for the county or the clerk's office of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, and if said inquisition shall find said road is not in reasonably good condition and repair, or not of the width required by its charter, any judge of said Court may, within ten days after the return thereof, affirm the same and pass an order requiring said company to make proper and necessary repairs within a time not exceeding two months, depending upon the season of the year, it being discretionary with the judge passing said order as to the terms, conditions and provisions thereof.

At or before the expiration of the time limited in said order said corporation shall make a report and file the same with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county or in the Clerk's office of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, setting out with particularity the character of the repairs made and the costs thereof, said report being sworn to by the President or other officer of said corporation, and if the Court shall not be satisfied that its order heretofore passed has been substantially and satisfactorily complied with, then the Court shall order that tolls shall not be charged by such company at the gates next to on either side of