

(j) The power to enter into contracts or co-operate with the Commissioners of the District of Columbia or their legally authorized agents where the area or areas that may be served by a sewerage or drainage system or systems is located partly in Montgomery County and partly in the District of Columbia and it is desired to plan, construct, establish or maintain a sewerage system or systems for such area or areas; or when, for the purpose of treatment and final disposition of sewerage and drainage, it is necessary or expedient to carry sewerage or drainage originating in one jurisdiction into the other or through a sewerage or drainage system or systems planned, constructed, established or maintained by the other.

(k) The power to enter into contract or co-operate with a private individual, corporation or municipality, where any system or systems or part of a system or systems of sewerage or drainage about to be constructed by said individual, corporation, or municipality may be made to serve portions of a sewerage or drainage area or district not included within the bounds of the property owned by said individual, corporation or municipality.

(l) The power to condemn private property for public use to the provisions of the Public General Laws of Maryland, relating thereto, including the rights to condemn land as it is now done by railroads in this State.

(m) The power to appoint an engineer, to be known as the Sanitary Engineer of Montgomery County, who shall hold office for the period of four years, said Engineer, to be a person possessing the necessary technical qualifications having had at least five years' experience in the practice of civil engineering and skilled in the science of sanitary engineering. The Sanitary Engineer shall be removable from office, only on sustained charges of incompetence, malfeasance or misfeasance in office. The compensation of the Sanitary Engineer shall not exceed the sum of \$1,800.00 per annum. He shall act as Resident Engineer of the State Bureau of Sanitary Engineering and shall co-operate with the said Bureau in such work as it may undertake in the county, rendering to it, at such times, in such manner and such form as it may prescribe, reports on the sanitary sewerage and drainage conditions in said County.

(n) The power to appoint or employ such temporary professional or technical experts or advisers, and such agents or employees, skilled or unskilled as may from time to time appear requisite for the proper execution of any duty or duties imposed upon them by this Act, to fix their respective compensation; to remove or discharge such experts, advisers, agents, or employees at pleasure; and to exact from them such indemnity bonds for proper performance of their duties as they see fit.

(o) The power to purchase, hire, or otherwise lawfully obtain, the use of all such machinery, tools, implements, appliances, supplies, material and working agencies as it may need for its purposes; provided, however, that this enumeration of special powers shall not be construed as restricting in any degree the scope of the general powers hereinbefore or hereinafter delegated to the said Commission.