work done in connection with the establishment or maintenance of such sewerage system or systems, or drainage system or systems.

- (g) To make and enter in the name and on behalf of the County Commissioners of Baltimore County any and all contracts, agreements and stipulations germane to the scope of their duties and powers under this Act.
- (h) To purchase, hire or otherwise lawfully obtain the use of all such machinery, tools, implements, appliances, supplies, materials 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 herein before conferrd upon said Commissioners.
- (i) To acquire by gift, purchase, arbitration, exchange, lease or other like methods of acquisition, or by condemnation, any land or property, public, quasi-public or private, situated in Baltimore County, or any easement, interest, privilege or franchise therein, which may be required for any of the purposes of this Act, including the establishment, construction, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, extension or enlargement of sewerage systems, trunk and lateral sewer mains, disposal fields, purification or filtration plants, or other like facilities, appurtenances or adjuncts that may be required for any of the purposes of this Act.

Note: Many of the provisions of this statute are covered by the provisions of chapter 157 of the Acts of 1912 and chapter 804 of the Acts of 1914, but it cannot with certainty be said that the several statutes are in such conflict that the latter necessarily repeals the former, as they are to a certain extent at least complementary and therefore the former Acts have been included in this codification.

1916, ch. 197. B. Co. C. (1916), sec. 287. 1928, sec. 368.

Whenever fifty or more of the taxable inhabitants of any part of Baltimore County which could conveniently be included in a single sewerage system shall file with the Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County a petition stating the location and extent of the proposed sewerage system, the public need therefor and the names and residences of the petitioners, and asking for the establishment of such system, the Board of County Commissioners shall thereupon employ a competent sanitary engineer to make an accurate survey of the area which would be benefited by the construction of such sewerage system, and to investigate and report to the said Board of County Commissioners the number of dwellings, stores, factories or other buildings, and the number of persons residing in the area to be served by such system, the probable location and size of the main and lateral sewer main, and the location, character and size of any plant or means for the disposition of the sewage or water collected through such system, and the probable cost of constructing the said sewerage system, and the probable annual cost of maintaining the same. And said engineer shall file with said report a plat showing accurately by metes and bounds the area to be benefited by the construction and establishment of such system, together with the roads, alleys, and streets, whether public or private, in such area, the location of the main