SEWERS.

1868, c. 181 enacts the following:

Powers of council.

1868, c 181, s.1. 807. The mayor and city council of Baltimore snau constructing, enlarging, ec., have full power to provide for constructing, opening, enlarging or straightening any sewer through any mayor and city street lane or alley, or through any private property, upon giving thirty days' notice in writing to the owners or agents of said private property within the bounds of the city, when in their opinion the convenience or welfare of the city may require it, to provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount of actual damages will accrue thereby, and what amount of actual. benefit will thereby accrue to the owner or possessor of any ground or improvements within or adjoining to the city, being governed as far as practicable by the number of superficial feet drained, and to provide for assessing and levying either generally or on the whole assessable property of said city, or by a loan for the special purpose for constructing, opening, enlarging or straightening any sewer the sum necessary to pay the expense or cost, or specially on the property of persons actually benefitted, the whole or any part of the damages and expenses which they shall ascertain will be incurred in constructing, opening, enlarging or straightening any sewer in any street, lane or alley, or through any private property in said city, to provide for granting appeals to the court or courts having jurisdiction thereof in Baltimore city, from the decision of any commissioners or other persons appointed in virtue of any ordinance to ascertain the damage which will be incurred or the benefits which will accrue to the owners or possessors of any ground or improvements for constructing, opening, enlarging or straightening in any street, lane or alley, or through any private property, any sewer which in their opinion the public welfare or convenience may require, and for securing to every such owner or possessor the right on application within a reasonable time to have decided by a jury trial.