

TAXATION.

1876, c. 322
Property, stock,
or bonds, not
exempted

173. Nothing in this article contained shall be so construed as to bring within any supposed exemption from taxation, State, county, or municipal, in the charter of any company desiring to take advantage of any of the provisions in this article contained, any property, real, personal, or mixed, owned under or by virtue of any of the provisions of this article, or any stock preferred or otherwise, or any bonds or other evidence of debt issued under or by virtue of any of the provisions of this article.

CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY BY CORPORATIONS.

1868, c. 471, s. 170
Power to con-
demn property
43 Md. 235

Application to
Judge.

Warrant to
sheriff
Jury

174. If any corporation incorporated under the laws of this State which shall be authorized to acquire by condemnation, any land, earth, or stone, or any interest therein, cannot agree with the owner or owners thereof, or if any of such owners be a *feme sole*, and without power to contract in that regard, under age, *non compos mentis*, or under any other legal disabilities, to contract, or be out of the county in which the property wanted may lie at the time the same is wanted, then in all such cases application may be made by any such corporation to any judge of the Circuit Court of the county in which said lands or other materials may lie, or to any judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, if the said land or materials lie in the city of Baltimore, and thereupon the said judge, upon its being made to appear satisfactorily to him that said land or materials are necessary and proper to be condemned for the use of such corporation, shall issue his warrant, directed to the sheriff of said county or city, as the case may be, requiring him to summon a jury of twenty inhabitants of said county or city, as the case may be, not related to said owner, or in any wise interested in said land, and not stockholders in said corporation, to meet on the lands or near the other property or materials to be valued and condemned, on a day named in said warrant, not less than ten nor more than twenty days after issuing the same.

Id. s. 171.
Inquest of
damages.

175. If at said time and place any jurors summoned do not attend, the sheriff shall immediately summon as many jurors as may be necessary, with the jurors in attendance, to make twenty jurors, and from them each party, or its, his, or their agent, or if either party be not present in person or by agent, the sheriff, for him, her, it, or them, may strike off four jurors, and from those remaining on the list the sheriff shall select twelve to act as the jury of inquest of damages.

Id. s. 172.
Juror's oath.

176. The sheriff shall, before they proceed to act as such, administer to each of said jury, an oath that he will justly and impartially value the damages which the owner will sustain by reason of the occupation of the said land or materials required by the occupation, and find whether or no the condemnation of such land or ma-