

CHAPTER 195.

Passed May 16, 1853. AN ACT in addition to the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, chapter

two hundred and ten, entitled, an act to introduce wholesome water into the city of Frederick.

Power to convey water.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in the introduction of water into the city of Frederick, under and by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, the corporate authorities of Frederick be, and they are hereby vested with full power and authority to convey such water in such manner and by such route as they may deem most suitable and proper; and also to appropriate such and so much land as may be necessary and proper, for the location

To appropriate land.

To appropriate springs.

and construction of any work or building appurtenant to said water works; and also to appropriate any spring or springs, not attached to any dwelling, that may be necessary for furnishing a full supply of water to the city of Frederick, and if compensation shall be required by any person, or persons, whose rights may be effected by the conveyance of said water, or the appropriation

In case of disagreement may summon jury of inquest.

of land or springs as aforesaid, and such person or persons shall not be able to agree with said corporation upon the amount of such compensation, or if the owner or owners or any of them, be a feme covert, under age, non compos mentis, or out of the county, application may be made to any justice of the peace of this State for Frederick county, who shall thereupon issue his summons under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of said county, requiring him to summons a jury of twenty inhabitants of said county, not interested in the property to be valued, nor related to the owner thereof, to meet on the land or near the other property to be valued, on a day named in said summons, not less than ten nor more than twenty days after the issuing of the same, and if at said time and place any of said jurors summoned do not attend, the sheriff shall immediately summon as many jurors as may be necessary, with the jurors in attendance, and from them each party, his, her or their agent, or if either be not present in person or by agent, the sheriff, for him, her or them, may strike off four jurors, and the remaining twelve shall act as the jury of inquest of damages; and before they act as such, the sheriff shall administer to each of them an oath or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will justly and impartially value the damages which the owner or owners will sustain by the use

Oath.