

such ground, which the said mayor and city council of Baltimore, may find it necessary or proper, to have or hold, for the purpose of extending said market as aforesaid; or if the owner or owners of such lands or property, shall be absent or out of the State, or unknown, it shall and may be lawful, on the application of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, for any justice of the peace of the said city of Baltimore, in which such lands or property as aforesaid, are situated, to issue his warrant to the sheriff of said city, commanding him to direct and summon from the said city, a jury of twenty free holders, inhabitants of said city, not related to the owner or owners, or persons interested as aforesaid, in the said real estate, or other property, to meet on the premises which are to be valued, on some certain day, to be named in said warrant, of which said warrant, and the day therein named for the meeting of the jury, five days notice shall be given previous to such day, by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, to every owner or person interested as aforesaid; or if any infant or lunatic, or feme covert, be the owner of the property, in whole or part, to his or her guardian, trustee, committee, or husband, as the case may be, such notice to be left at his or her place of abode; or if such owner, guardian, trustee, committee, or husband, should reside out of the State, or is unknown, such notice shall be published not less than eight weeks successively, in some one or more of the daily newspapers of Baltimore city; and from the list of jurors so returned and attending, it may be lawful for the owner of the property, or the guardian, trustee, committee, or husband of the owner, as the case may be, whose property it may be desired to condemn, to strike four, and for the said mayor and city council of Baltimore to strike four, so that the number of jurors be reduced to twelve; and in case either party shall neglect or fail to strike off the names of jurors, then it shall be the duty of the sheriff, or his deputy, who shall attend as hereinafter directed, to strike off jurors for the party so refusing or neglecting, so that the number of jurors be reduced to twelve, as aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of the twelve jurors so remaining, to inquire into, assess and ascertain the sum or sums of money, to be paid by the said mayor and city council of Baltimore, for the land or other property, which they may deem necessary, to purchase and hold or use for the purposes aforesaid, having regard to all circumstances of damage or benefit, to result to such owner or party interested therein, for the use and occupation of such property, by the mayor and city council of Baltimore; and before the said jury act

Notice to be given to persons interested.

Oath.