

7. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be taken or understood to prevent the authorised agent of the United States from making a purchase of the property that may be required for the establishment of said light-house, dwelling and out-houses, and a garden patch.

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Agent of U. S., not prevented from purchasing, &c.

8. *And be it enacted*, That the property so purchased, and not exceeding one acre, shall be ceded to the said United States, in the same manner as if the commissioners had met, valued and condemned the property.

Property to be ceded to the U.S.

9. *And be it enacted*, That if no such purchase should be made by the agent aforesaid, by the first day of May next, then upon application to the said commissioners, by the agent of the United States, the said commissioners shall meet and proceed in the manner prescribed by this act.

Proceedings, in case no purchase is made, &c.

CHAP. CCII.

An Act to open and extend Pine Street in the City of Baltimore.

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1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Thomas Finley, John J. Donaldson, Dennis A. Smith, Robert Neilson and John Smith Hollins, Esquires, be appointed commissioners to open and extend Pine-street in the city of Baltimore, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to open and extend said street, of the width of fifty feet, in a southerly direction from the intersection of Fayette and Pine-streets to Baltimore-street, and of the width of seventy feet from Baltimore-street to German-street; and the said street, when opened and extended, and the valuation and assessment herein after directed to be made shall have taken place, shall be deemed and considered, and is hereby declared, a public street and high-way forever thereafter; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby directed to return a plot, ascertaining the limits and extent of that part of said street so opened and extended, to the clerk of Baltimore county court, who shall receive and file the same in his office.

Street may be opened.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall give ten days notice in two or more newspapers printed in the city of Baltimore, of their appointment, as also of the time and place of meeting, which shall be on the premises, and shall then and there proceed to the duties herein-after enjoined; but before they proceed, they shall take an oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, that they will faithfully and impartially assess and value what damages will be sustained by opening and extending the said street, taking into consideration all advantages and disadvantages; they shall then proceed to assess and value what damages will be sustained by any person or persons whomsoever, by opening and extending said street, and shall also declare what sum of money each individual benefited thereby shall pay towards compensating the person or persons injured by opening and extending said street, and the names of the person or persons, and the sums of money which they shall respectively be obliged to pay, shall be returned, under their hands and seals, to the clerk aforesaid, to be filed and kept in his office; and the person or persons benefited by opening of said street, and assessed as aforesaid, shall respectively pay the

Damages to be assessed.