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New sections

Acts of 1900, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, and to add five new sections, one of said new sections to follow immediately after Section 50, to be designated Section 50 A, the other four new sections to follow immediately after Section 59 B, to be designated as Sections 59 C, 59 D, 59 E and 59 F of said Article, to read as to all the sections, as follows:

Body corporate.

50 a. The citizens of Chestertown, in Kent county, are a body corporate, by the name of "The Commissioners of Chestertown," with all the powers and privileges of a body politic and corporate, and by said corporate name may have perpetual succession, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity, and have and use a common seal, and the same to alter at pleasure; may hold, possess, purchase or otherwise acquire for corporate purposes property, real, personal and mixed, and may sell, dispose of and convey any such property for the benefit of said town; provided, that the real estate to be purchased shall be limited to gravel and sand lots, and the amounts to be expended therefor shall not exceed one thousand dollars, in any one year.

Proviso.

Commissioners elected. 51. There shall be three commissioners for Chestertown, all of whom shall be taxpayers upon real or leasehold property in said town and at least thirty years of age, who shall each be elected for a term of three years; one of said commissioners shall be elected annually, as provided by the next succeeding section.

Regulate the building of party walls, etc.

59 A. In addition to the powers conferred on the commissioners of Chestertown by Section 59 of this Article, they shall have power to regulate by ordinance the building and maintenance of party walls, partition fences, parapet and fire walls, smoke flues, fire-places, hot-air flues, boilers, smokestacks, chimneys and stovepipes, and to have any such removed, repaired or reconstructed, whenever in the judgment of said commissioners the same may be dangerous to or menace the property wherein such structures are, or any adjacent or contiguous property, and the expenses of such alteration, removal, repairing or reconstruction when done by the town commissioners shall be a lien on the property where such work is done, and may by ordinance require the owners or occupants of any lot abutting on the streets, lanes and alleys of said town to