

sioners for the same in writing, and within twenty days thereof cause to be delivered to the clerk of the Circuit Court aforesaid, a copy of the said award filed with said commissioners ratifying or rejecting the same, and all other papers relating thereto; and the said corporation shall be liable for and tender the damages thus assessed and determined to the persons entitled, or if rejected, to hold the same to his credit or for his use; and the said commissioners shall have full power to assess and levy, either generally on the whole assessable property of said town, or specially on the property of persons so assessed to be benefited thereby, the whole or any part of the amount of damages and expenses that they shall ascertain will be incurred in locating, opening, extending, straightening or closing up the whole or any part of any street, lane, road or alley, in said town, and to collect the same in the manner hereinbefore provided for the collection of the general tax levy; provided, however, that, in opening or extending avenues, streets, roads and alleys, they shall be made to conform in width and bearings and in all other respects with those of the plat of the town of Ridgely, now upon record in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Caroline County; this proviso not to relate to the road extending from the land of the P., B. & W. Railroad in a northerly direction and binding upon the lands of the Hoffman estate on the west, and the lands of Mrs. Alfred Sigler, the High School property and the lands of Charles L. Herzog on the east, which road the commissioners of Ridgely shall have the power, and are hereby expressly authorized and empowered, to widen in their discretion by acquiring adjoining lands by gift, purchase, condemnation in accordance with Chapter 117, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1912, or in any other manner.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 13th, 1914.

CHAPTER 729.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 147 of Article 23 of the Code of 1904 of Public General Laws of Maryland, entitled "Corporations," sub-title "Insurance Companies," as amended and re-enacted by Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1912 of the General Assembly of Maryland, author-